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Service Star Award Program Expands to Include All Colleagues

BY [RICK MARTUSCELLI](#) · AUGUST 2, 2017

The Service Star Award has been part of the LVHN culture for decades. It's an honor cherished by all colleagues who have received the award in recognition of the exceptional service they give to patients, families and colleagues.

As LVHN merged with other organizations and continues to grow, the number of colleagues who are deserving of a Service Star Award also is growing. To give more colleagues across the health network the rewards and recognition they deserve, we're expanding the Service Star Award program beginning in August. The expansion of the program includes the introduction of a new award called the PRIDE Award.



Here is how the expanded award program works:

- Colleagues can visit PRIDEpoints to nominate a fellow colleague(s) for a Service Star Award. Click the PRIDEpoints icon on your SSO toolbar.
- A committee reviews the nominations, and one PRIDE Award recipient is selected each month at each of these LVHN locations:
 - LVH–Cedar Crest
 - LVH–Muhlenberg
 - LVH–17th Street
 - LVH–Hazleton
 - LVH–Schuylkill
 - LVH–Pocono
 - LVPG
 - LVHN–Mack Boulevard
 - LVHN–One City Center

Colleagues who are nominated but do not work at one of these locations will be grouped with the nominations from the entity closest to them.

- Every PRIDE Award recipient will be a candidate for their entity's Service Star Award.

- Once a year, on a rotating schedule, one Service Star Award recipient will be named at each entity. The recipient will be selected from the entity's PRIDE Award recipients of the past year. The recipient will be chosen by LVHN's Corporate Reward and Recognition Committee.
- Service Star Award recipients will be announced on a rotating schedule during Leader to Leader meetings.

Here's how award recipients will be recognized:

Service Star Award recipients will be recognized live during a Leader to Leader meeting. They will receive a "gold star" paperweight with their name and department engraved on it and a framed certificate and a poster containing their photo and story. The recipient's leader will plan a department celebration. The recipient's photo and story will be posted on LVHN Daily.

PRIDE Award recipients will receive a certificate and special PRIDE badge holder and pin. A summary of their story will be posted on LVHN Daily. The recipient's leader and colleagues can choose to recognize the recipient any way they choose.

So, nominate a colleague today and start giving colleagues the rewards and recognition they deserve.

Top Three Lists: Why RNs Stay... and Leave

BY [KIM JORDAN, DNP, RN](#) · AUGUST 4, 2017

In magazines or online, I find list articles to be helpful because they help break down topics into easy-to-absorb sections. At last week's Staff RN Retention Committee meeting, the group used that same "Top #" strategy to sort out why nursing and patient care services colleagues leave LVHN, and just as importantly, what attracts many to stay.

We began the meeting discussing the long list the group generated at the first meeting in July. It was a tremendous brainstorm. Ideas included out-of-the-box ways to encourage staff to stay (free food) to things that make people think about leaving (difficulty scheduling PTO).



Zeroing in on "The Top"

The committee spent the bulk of the meeting discussing the top three themes identified from each category. We needed to understand and clarify the issues behind those themes.

Top Three Reasons RNs Leave LVHN

1. Staffing/ratios
2. Scheduling
3. Lack of acknowledgement

Certainly, we all recognized some familiar issues; hence, the hard work going into retention and recruitment.

Top Three Reasons RNs Stay at LVHN

1. Advancement opportunities
2. LVHN "family culture"
3. Management

It was gratifying to hear from this diverse group of more than 50 members that our advancement opportunities, family culture and management were top reasons why staff would stay. It says a lot about

the organization and all of you that these supportive, culture-driven reasons topped that list.

What tops your list of reasons to stay? If you have ideas to help us retain staff, share them with your retention committee member or email them to me at Marie.Jordan@lvhn.org.

Information sharing

I like sharing information, but also want you to know who to go to for information.

Here's a tip: Members of the Staff RN Retention Committee, RN Advisory Council and the Night Shift RN Council all heard about the most recent vacancy and new hire staffing numbers. I am personally asking you to reach out to your RN advisors and learn about my update. Ask them to tell you what's going on to improve hiring and retention here at LVHN, and then pass on my "nudge" to one of your colleagues so they talk to your RN advisor too.

In a related topic, thank you for making our new colleagues feel welcome here. I have felt all along our culture is one of those intangibles that makes people feel at home with their work family. Now that our family culture has officially made the top-three list of reasons to stay, I feel even more assured that we are on the right path. Thanks for making people feel at home and part of the team at LVHN.

My Top Three

Members of the Staff RN Retention Committee energize me with their input and great ideas. (Thank you team!) They will meet again next week to begin laying the groundwork for ways to address the top three issues that cause people to part ways with LVHN, and to build on and perpetuate the top three great reasons to stay.

This meeting got me thinking about my own top three reasons to stay:

1. Dedicated patient care staff
2. Appreciative patients
3. Leaders who mentor

You top my list, followed in close second by your patients. Having worked side-by-side with many of you, we are a team, a family. You are my top reason for staying and for advocating for you. It is all because you are patient care professionals, whose patients are at the heart of what you do. You care for and support them (and their families) through the good minutes and hours, as well as the difficult ones.

Thank you for your dedication to their care. It can't be said enough how much I appreciate all of you.

Kim



Kim Jordan

About me: My name is Kim Jordan, DNP, RN, and I am Senior Vice President and Chief Nursing Officer at LVHN. I came to LVHN 15 years ago as director of the open-heart and transitional open-heart units. I consider it an honor and a privilege to lead our outstanding nursing colleagues.



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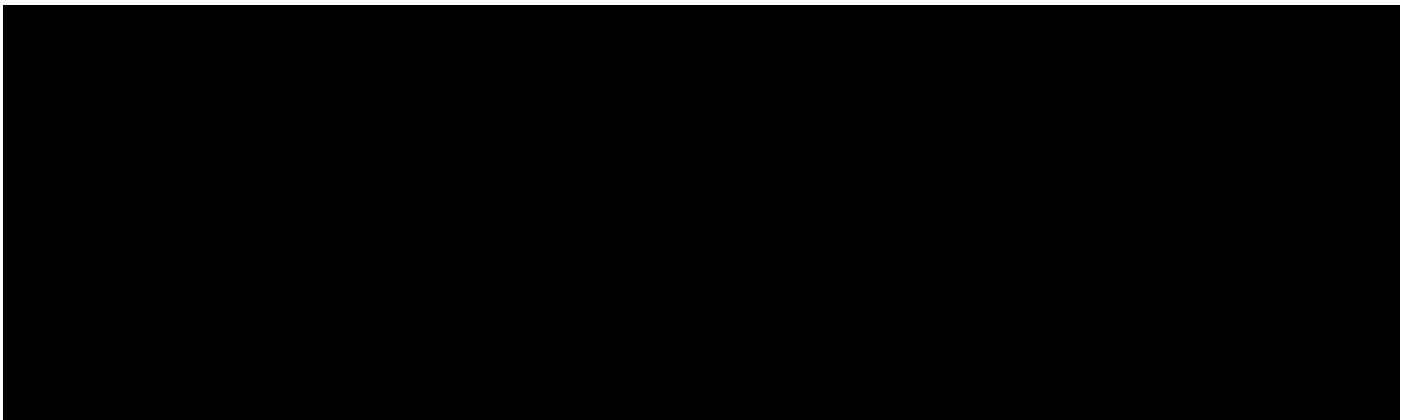
Vote Online for LVHN in 2017 Morning Call Readers' Choice Survey

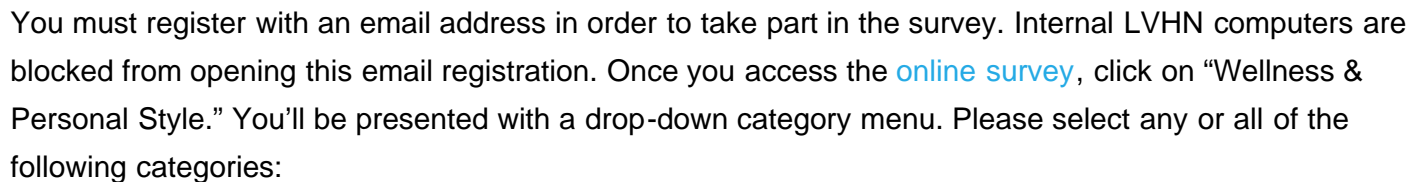
BY [TED WILLIAMS](#) · AUGUST 1, 2017



Colleagues are urged to cast their votes online for our health network in the [2017 Morning Call Readers' Choice](#) survey of participants' favorite businesses and services in the Lehigh Valley area. To learn how to vote, watch the video or follow these instructions.

The video below will only play in Google Chrome. If you are using Internet Explorer, click [here](#) to watch.





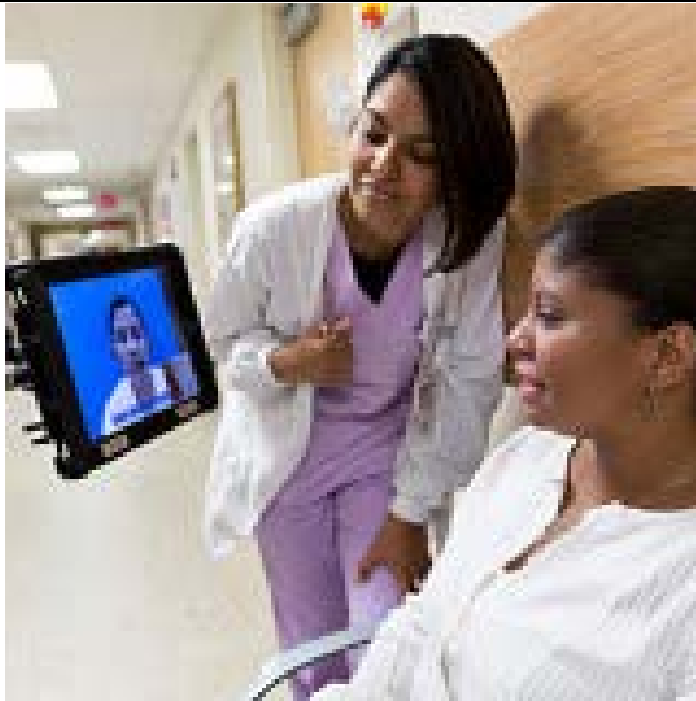
You must register with an email address in order to take part in the survey. Internal LVHN computers are blocked from opening this email registration. Once you access the [online survey](#), click on “Wellness & Personal Style.” You’ll be presented with a drop-down category menu. Please select any or all of the following categories:

- Audiologist or hearing aid specialist
- Cancer center
- Chiropractor
- Cosmetic surgeon
- Emergency services
- Eye doctor
- Family doctor
- Gym
- Health insurance provider
- Hospital/Health Network
- MRI/Diagnostic Imaging
- Nursing services
- Obstetrician
- Orthopedic services
- Patient care
- Pediatrician
- Personal fitness trainer
- Pharmacy (local)
- Physical rehab center
- Physical therapist
- Place to have a baby
- Podiatrist
- Surgeon
- Therapeutic massage
- Urgent care
- Weight loss center

In order to vote, type in your location of choice:

- Lehigh Valley Health Network
- Lehigh Valley Hospital–Cedar Crest
- Lehigh Valley Hospital–Muhlenberg
- LVPG practice

Voting ends at 11:59 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 8. Readers' Choice winners will be announced on Sunday, Sept. 24.



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Free Prenatal Education Classes

BY [SHEILA CABALLERO](#) · AUGUST 3, 2017

Preparing for the birth of a new baby is one of life's most precious events. At LVHN, we offer education and support for families as they get ready for their new arrival, so babies can get the best start possible. Many of our parenting education classes are now free of charge for all colleagues and for community members who choose to deliver at our Family Birth and Newborn Centers at LVH–Cedar Crest or LVH–Muhlenberg.

Classes include:

- Preparing for childbirth
- Baby care
- Breastfeeding
- Car seat checks
- Maternity and sibling tours
- Grandparenting workshop



CPR and safe sitter classes will continue to have a nominal fee this year.

To register, visit [LVHN.org/raisingafamily](https://www.lvhn.org/raisingafamily) or call 888-402-LVHN.

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Michele Roberts Named Vice President, Patient Care Services, at LVH–Hazleton

BY [JANE DANISH](#) · JULY 31, 2017

Michele (Konitzer) Roberts has been promoted to Vice President of Patient Care Services at LVH–Hazleton. Roberts began her career at LVH–Hazleton in September 2012 as Director of Surgical Services. In October 2015, she was named Administrator of Patient Care Services and has proven to be a valuable leader in our organization overseeing the management of patient care.

Roberts was instrumental in initiating the integration of patient care services with LVHN, including the integration of nursing policies and procedures. She has taken a lead role in directing the implementation of initiatives designed to provide exceptional experiences for our patients. Roberts will continue to oversee the management of the inpatient nursing units, surgical services and emergency services. She also will collaborate with colleagues to integrate LVH–Hazleton and health network services.



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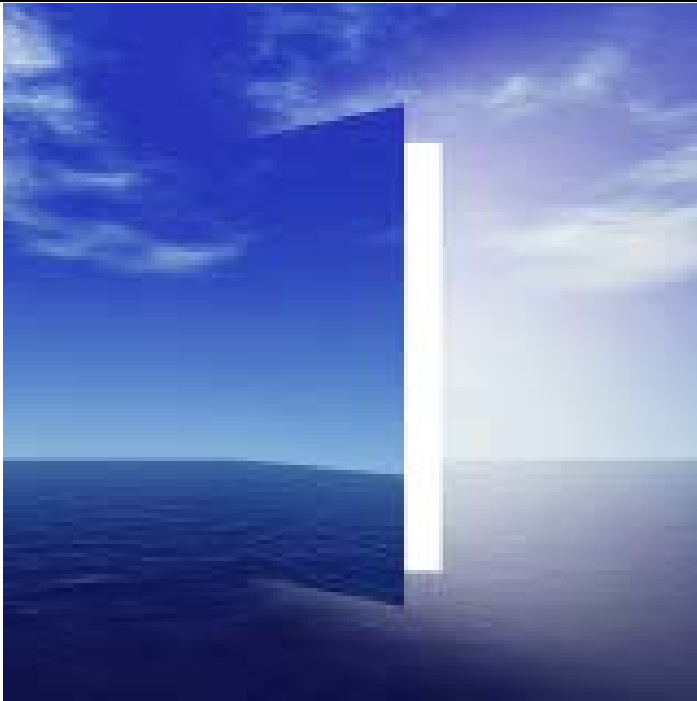
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Service Anniversary List – August 2017

BY [EMILY MITCHELL](#) · JULY 31, 2017

Happy anniversary to these colleagues celebrating a career milestone at LVHN in August.

50 years

Kathryn Kowalewski, operating room

40 years

Diane Breidinger, Children's Clinic

Julia Gogle, labor and delivery

Karen Griffith, PACU

Judith Hutchison, Burn Recovery Center

Christine Morgan, electrophysiology lab

Catherine Piorkowski, Children's Clinic

Susan Schalk, home care information services and medical records

Woodrow Wilson, clinical services observation

35 years

Linda Altrichter, department of surgery

Judith Bailey, information services

Nancy Humes, Regional Burn Center

Scott Terfinko, respiratory services

30 years

Christine Ash, Emergency Medicine Institute

Donna Hill, ICO staging and recovery

Rosemarie Huyett, float pool

Beth Martin, physician and executive recruitment

Margaret Notaro, nurse staffing office

Guy Rosevelt, engineering

Valerie Rupp, cardiology

Melanie Schiffert, information services

Diane Sostak, open-heart unit

25 years



Theresa Elwell, pre-admission testing
Donna Kapes, emergency department
Jane Scott, MICU/SICU
Donna Shiffert, HIM facility based coding
Linda Shumberger, Epic
Wanda Sommer, mother baby unit

20 years

Mary Damweber, LVPG Hematology Oncology-Muhlenberg
Laurence, Karper, inpatient psychiatry
Barbara, Korutz, coding integrity
Jason, Laskosky, pharmacy
Kathy, Miller, managed care
Sharon, Miller, diagnostic radiology
Scott, Racine, clinical social work
Beatrice, Rodriguez, AIDS Activities Office
Laura, Vilasi, Epic
Julie, Walck, Diagnostic Care Center

15 years

Tammy Burgess, progressive coronary care unit
Carolyn Cullison, LVPG Orthopedics
Vickie Cunningham, AIDS Activities Office
Susan Dell, internal audit
Myrna Frassetto, HIM facility based coding
Randi Freitas, emergency department
Eliot Friedman, LVPG Hematology Oncology-Muhlenberg
Debra Hausman, Lehigh Valley Anesthesia Services
Dana Horrigan, Hemodialysis Center
Catherine Kirkland, float pool
Shana Konek, Emergency Communication Center
Wendy Stratz, courier services
Karen Tiedeken, LVPG Maternal Fetal Medicine-3900 Hamilton Blvd.
Susan Unruh, MICU/SICU
Sarah Wida, Lehigh Valley Family Health Center
Eric Witzel, LVHN Fitness

10 years

Wadih Atiyeh, Cardiac Diagnostic Center
Heather Boehmer, LVPG Family Medicine-Hellertown
Trenise Bullock, Health Spectrum Pharmacy
Todd Burgert, ExpressCARE

Nicholas Castaldo, patient transport services
Judy Chirumbolo, radiology
Laura Deegan, radiology
Evelyn Dickens-Gonzalez, patient accounting
Jean DiFebo, LVPG Neurology-1250 Cedar Crest
Lina Faberlle, Community Health and Wellness Center
Cynthia Fenton, Cancer Center multi-purpose area
Victoria Fitzpatrick, Emergency Communication Center
Tabatha Frantz, information services
Herbert Gates, pastoral care
Donna George, accounts payable
Leslie Gonzalez, LVPG Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery-1243 Cedar Crest
Laura Gutierrez, NORI
Vivian Izquierdo, post-operative unit
Soraya Jimenez, LVPG Neurology-1250 Cedar Crest
Janet Mertz, pediatric unit
Daniel Messenlehner, Epic
Deborah Moyer, hospice
Michelle Omari-Okyere, pharmacy
Timothy Pellini, LVPG Obstetrics and Gynecology-1245 Cedar Crest
Monica Peterson, ultrasound
Felicia Pompa, obstetrics
Nicholas Rini, LVPG Cardiac and Thoracic Surgery
Sandra Sabbatini, emergency department
Joely Schenewolf, ASU-OR
Theresa Scott, Children's Surgery Center
Amber Sechler, vascular lab
Joshua Sheetz, MedEvac Ground
Joel Shucavage, Cardiac Diagnostic Center
Ophira Silbert, pediatrics neonatology
Mark Smith, MedEvac
Michele Smith, LVPG Family Medicine-Trexlerstown
Sarah Tubio Earl, CAT scanning
Folusho Tugbiyele, LVPG Urogynecology-Pond Road
Sheena Vaidian, 5K
Pamela Valentine, MICU/SICU
Betty Vaughn, 3A IPCU
Fortunata Verdeti, hospitalist program
Nisha Vyas, pharmacy
Benedetta Warmkessel, 3A

Michael Watson, cardiac catheterization lab

5 years

Laura Barany, specialty float pool

Stacy Barndt, radiation therapy

Stephanie Bennecoff, 7C

Alan Berger, LVPG Vascular Surgery

Brett Berry-Frantz, information services

Diana Bonilla, LVPG General Surgery-Muhlenberg

Karen Breiner, LVPG Vascular Surgery

Holly Brotzman, LVPG Pediatrics-Pond Road

Jaime Brunnabend, rehabilitation services

Jerry Carlo, patient transport services

Victor Celani, Surgery Education Center

Tanya Christman, LVPG Pediatrics-Pond Road

Veronica Croesus, speech and hearing

Lori DeLong, Breast Health Services

Kelly Eckert, pediatric unit

Drew Farber, LVPG Obstetrics and Gynecology-Easton

Nancy Farley, LVPG Pediatric Surgical Specialties-1210 Cedar Crest

Theresa Fedorowicz, LVPG Vascular Surgery

Wanda Fehnel, operating room

Ellina Feiner, LVPG Cardiology-1250 Cedar Crest

Shannon Fenstermacher, Epic

Janet Fischer, LVPG Vascular Surgery

Francis Flexer, information services

Patricia Flyte, LVPG Obstetrics and Gynecology-Lehighton

Comfort Fordjour, pastoral care

Jaime Francisco, physical therapy

Michael Frey, information services

Clifford Georges, LVPG Urology

Stephanie Guzman Pena, physical/occupational/speech therapy

Cara Habeck, Helwig Diabetes Center

Caleb Haines, information services

Laura Heidenwolf, LVPG General and Bariatric Surgery-1240 Cedar Crest

Donna Henry, Breast Health Services

Daniel Kraus, LVPG Maternal Fetal Medicine-3900 Hamilton Blvd.

Kyle Laudenslager, 2K south

Paul Lewis, tech aide float

Evelisa Maldonado, patient receivables office

Cathy Marinelli, LVPG Vascular Surgery

Melissa Martinez, LVPG Pediatrics-Pond Road

Suzanne McCooley, LVPG Vascular Surgery

James McCullough, LVPG Vascular Surgery

Joanne McGuire, LVPG Family Medicine-Trexlerstown

Robert McHenry, LVPG financial planning

Monica Melo, LVPG Vascular Surgery

Shirley Messinger, physical/occupational/speech therapy

Jeannine Miller, clinical informatics

Stacie Minner, HealthWorks

Patricia Mitzak, adult psychiatry unit

Michael Orange, information services

Mary Beth Paul, LVPG Pediatrics-Pond Road

Danielle Pearson, emergency department

Rebecca Penchishen, psychiatry

Virginia Quinn, LVPG Vascular Surgery

Melody Reed, HIM facility based coding

Crystal Schaffer, LVPG Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine-1250 Cedar Crest

Kyle Shaak, department of family medicine

Jean Smith, LVPG Family Medicine-1251 Cedar Crest

Jennifer Sommer, operating room

Rochelle Steiner, Center For Women's Medicine

Kelly Torres, LVPG Obstetrics and Gynecology-Valley Center Parkway

Valerie Unangst, medical oncology

Debra Vecchione, home care

John Welkie, LVPG Vascular Surgery

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First Core Bundle of Fiscal Year 2018 on The Learning Curve

BY [RICK MARTUSCELLI](#) · AUGUST 4, 2017

The first core bundle of fiscal year 2018 (FY18) will be released on The Learning Curve (TLC) in August. The mandatory training must be completed by Sept. 30.

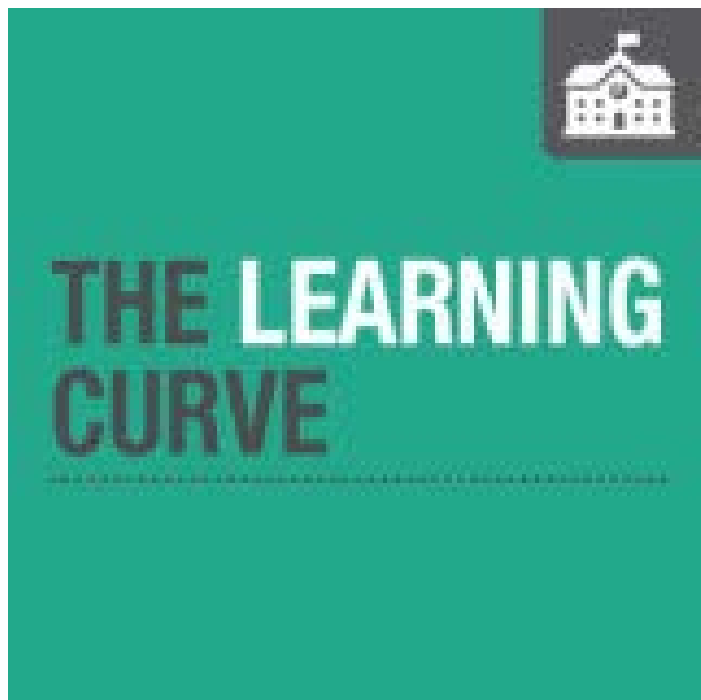
This bundle includes courses related to our Corporate Compliance Program, which helps you follow LVHN standards and policies as well as the laws and regulations applicable to your job functions. The bundle also includes important information regarding patient rights, identity theft and influenza.

To access the bundle, click the TLC icon on your SSO toolbar. You will see the curriculum that has been assigned to you in your Timeline, found on the Learner Dashboard in TLC. This is the first of four bundles that will be available in FY18.



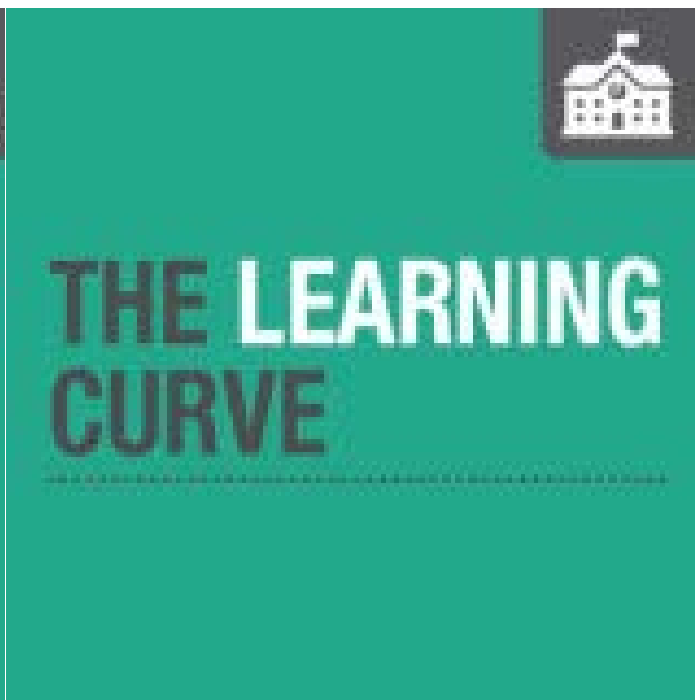
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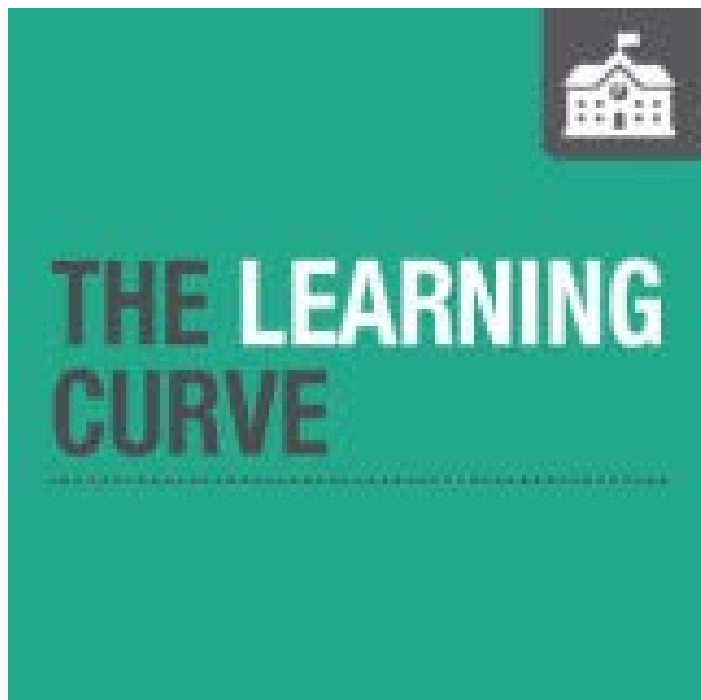
Fourth Quarter Core Bundle on The Learning Curve

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Third Core Bundle of Fiscal Year 2017 on The Learning Curve

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Second Core Bundle of Fiscal Year 2017 on The

Join the LVHN Bowling League

BY [TED WILLIAMS](#) · AUGUST 1, 2017

Like to bowl? Enjoy a great weekly activity with your colleagues in the LVHN Bowling League. Members of the league bowl every Wednesday night at 6:10 p.m. from Sept. 13 through April 11 at the Haja Rose Bowl, 801. N. 15th St., Allentown. The winning team will be crowned at a season-ending banquet (date and location to be determined).

The league is open to all LVHN colleagues as well as their spouses, significant others and friends. There are only 30 spots available in the league, so it's wise to register as soon as possible.

Price: \$12 per week per bowler

[Complete a registration form](#) and return it to [Larry Sabino](#), 1245 S. Cedar Crest Blvd., Suite 205, Allentown, PA 18103.



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VALIC – The Investment Planning Seminar

BY [TED WILLIAMS](#) · AUGUST 1, 2017

VALIC Retirement, the company managing our retirement plans, will host the seminar “The Investment Planner Seminar” at the following locations:

Aug. 8 – 12-1 p.m., LVHN–Mack Boulevard room 6B

Aug. 9 – 12-1 p.m., LVH–Cedar Crest ECC room 5

Aug. 10 – 12-1 p.m., LVH–17th Street auditorium

Aug. 16 – 12-1 p.m., LVH–Muhlenberg ECC room D

Aug. 17 – 12-1 p.m., LVHN–One City Center room 8 East 2



Registration is required to attend one of these seminars. [Click here to register](#) and enter one of the following codes:

For LVHN–Mack Boulevard seminar: LVHALL11AX

For LVH–Cedar Crest seminar: LVHALL11AW

For LVH–17th Street seminar: LVHALL11AY

For LVH–Muhlenberg seminar: LVHBET11AT

For LVHN–One City Center seminar: LVHALL11AW

VALIC Retirement advisors are available to help you at:

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Jeff Hofmann: 610-402-8801

Michael Ryan: 610-402-8801 (advisor for LVPG colleagues)

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Tim Schroyer: 610-969-2625

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LVH-Muhlenberg and Health Network Laboratories:

Kevin Gertz: 610-392-9912

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Publications

“Empowering Nurses to Transform Care Globally: A United States–Haiti Partnership,” [American Nurse Today](#), February 2017.

Kim S. Hitchings, MSN, RN, NEA-BC

Tonya Kemp, RN, RNC-OB

Sharon Kromer, BSN, RN CCRC, CTC

Barbara Labriola, MSW, RN, CMSRN

Lori Yesenofski, MSN, RN, CCRN, CTC

“Using Simulation-Based Learning to Prepare for a Potential Cardiac Emergency on the Labor Unit,” [Nursing for Women’s Health](#), February/March 2017.

Julia Gogle, MSN, RNC-OB

“Sharing the Lessons: The 10-year Journey of a Safe Patient Movement Program,” [International Journal of Safe Patient Handling & Movement](#), March 2017.

Maryann Rosenthal, MSN, RN, CMSRN

Laura Walker, MSN, RN-BC, CNE, CCRN

Timothy Docherty, MBA, CIH, CHFM

Carol Guanowsky, BSN, RN, COHN-S

Donald Hougendobler, BS

“Endoscopic Ultrasound Adequacy Rates Using Novel Needle Biopsy System With and Without Rapid Onsite Evaluation of Various Gastrointestinal and Intra-abdominal Solid Lesions,” [International Journal of Development Research](#), Vol. 07, Issue 03, pp.11955-11959, March 2017.

Joan Collette, RN

Hope Kincaid, MPH, CPH

Jennifer Macfarlan, MPH

Bonnie L. Patek

Hiral Shah, MD

Shashin Shah, MD

Oral Presentations



“Empowering Nurses to Transform Health Care GLOBALLY: A United States–Haiti Nursing Partnership,” at the Pennsylvania State Nurses Association (PSNA) “Nurses Matter” Celebration, in Tannersville, Pa., in December 2016.

Kim Hitchings, MSN, RN, NEA-BC

Tonya Kemp, RN, RNC-OB

“Create and Celebrate a Culture of Certification,” at the PSNA “Nurses Matter” Celebration, in Tannersville, Pa., in December 2016.

Kathryn P. Mercadante, MSN, RN-BC

Jessica Zimmerman, BSN, RN, CMSRN

“To Pee or Not to Pee, That is the Question for Neuroscience Patients: Reducing Use of Indwelling Urinary Catheters and Catheter Associated Infections,” at the American Association of Neuroscience Nurses 49th Annual Educational Meeting, in Boston, in March 2017.

Maureen T. Smith, MSN, RN, CNRN

Kimberly Martin, BSN, RN, CNRN

“Night Shift, You Need a Plan,” at the 2017 Annual Vizient Nurse Residency Program Conference, in San Diego, in March 2017.

Patricia Karo, MS ED, BSN, RN-BC

“What We Have is a Failure to Communicate: Collaboration Increases CLABSI Compliance,” at the Society of Pediatric Nurses (SPN) 27th Annual Conference, in West Palm Beach, Fla., in April 2017.

Kimberly Hugo, BS, RN, CCRN, VA-BC

“Transforming Geriatric Nursing Care through Role Enhancement in Non-Licensed Team Members,” at the 2017 Nurses Improving Care for Healthsystem Elders (NICHE) Annual Conference, in Austin, Texas, in April 2017.

Tracie Heckman, MSN, CMSRN

“TeleWound Technology Improves Patient Outcomes,” at the 2017 NICHE Annual Conference, in Austin, Texas, in April 2017.

Nancy Dirico, MSN, RN-BC, CMSRN

Kelly Ryan, MS, RN, CWON, CFCN

“Gaining Increased Numbers of Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners: Use of a ‘Standardized Patient’ for Competency Validation,” at the Philadelphia-Area Magnet® Consortium, Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia, in Philadelphia, in June 2017.

Sandra Sabbatini, MSN, RN, CEN

Amanda Howatt, BSN, RN

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June 2017.

Tonya Kemp, RN, RNC-OB

Melissa Motz, RN

“Gaining Increased Numbers of Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners: Use of a ‘Standardized Patient’ for Competency Validation,” at the Pennsylvania Emergency Nurses Association – Horizons 2017 Conference, in Pittsburgh, in June 2017.

Sandra Sabbatini, MSN, RN, CEN

Amanda Howatt, BSN, RN

Michele Rice, BSN, RN, CEN

“Preventing Secondary Complications in the Trauma Patient,” at the Pennsylvania Emergency Nurses Association – Horizons 2017 Conference, in Pittsburgh, in June 2017.

Cassie Fritzinger, BSN, RN, CEN, PHRN

“An Adult Sepsis Identification and Resuscitation Pathway: Innovative Tactics Beyond the Traditional Bundle,” at the Pennsylvania Emergency Nurses Association – Horizons 2017 Conference, in Pittsburgh, in June 2017.

Lindsay J. Houck, MSN, RN, NEA-BC, CEN, CPEN, PHRN

Megan Wirth BSN, RN, CEN

Poster Presentations

“To Keep or Not To Keep...? A Look at Peripheral IVs in the Medical-Surgical Setting,” at the PSNA “Nurses Matter” Celebration, in Tannersville, Pa., in December 2016.

Jaime McCabe, BSN, RN

“Comfort Care in the Emergency Department,” at the PSNA “Nurses Matter” Celebration, in Tannersville, Pa., in December 2016.

Sharla Kurtz, BSN, RN

Heather Williams, BSN, RN

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“Decisional Involvement and Professional Practice: Relation and Outcomes,” at the University of Pennsylvania Annual Nursing Research Conference, in Philadelphia, in December 2016.

Carolyn L Davidson, PhD, RN, CCRN, APRN, CPHQ

Kim Hitchings, MSN, RN, NEA-BC

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Cathy Schwartz, MSN, RN

“Making a Checklist and Checking it Twice: Implementing a Strategy to Meet Stroke Center Monitoring Guidelines,” at the American Association of Neuroscience Nurses 49th Annual Educational Meeting, in Boston, in March 2017.

Bonnie Wasilowsky, BSN, BSPA, RN, CNRN

“Stroke in the Young: What’s Hiding in Your Blood Can Hurt,” at the American Association of Neuroscience Nurses 49th Annual Educational Meeting, in Boston, in March 2017.

Holly D. Tavianini, MHSA, BSN, RN, CNRN

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“Improving Care through a Reliable and Variable Rounder Care Delivery Model,” at the 2017 American Nurses Association Annual Conference, in Tampa, Fla., in March 2017.

Kathleen Kratz, MSN, RN, NE-BC

Munawer Kermalli, MBA, BS/BA

Jennifer McDonald, BSN, RN

“Providing Donor Breast Milk for Premature Infants,” at the 2017 Annual Vizient Nurse Residency Program Conference, in San Diego, in March 2017.

Emilee Carr, BSN, RN

(Mary) Katie Kline, BSN, RN

Michelle Lanzarone, BSN, RN

“Transparencies of Documentation Across Disciplines,” at the 2017 American Nursing Informatics Association (ANIA) Annual Conference, in New Orleans, in March/April 2017.

Amy Evans, MSN, RNBS, MSN, RN

“Streamlining Electronic Orders Management: Phases of Care from a Nursing Perspective,” at the 2017 ANIA Annual Conference, in New Orleans, in March/April 2017.

Kathleen Duckworth BSN, RN, CPAN

“Orthostatic Blood Pressure Vital Signs: Educating Staff to Keep Our Geriatric Population Safe,” at the Nurses Improving Care for Healthsystem Elders (NICHE) Annual Conference, in Austin, Texas, in April 2017.

Hillary Boos, BSN, RN

Erin George, BSN, RN

“Patient Engagement to Improve Care and Maintenance of Cervical Collars,” at the 2017 Society of Trauma Nurses Annual Conference, in St Louis, in April 2017.

Kai Bortz MSN, RN-BC, CMSRN, CNL

Abigail Moore BS, BSN, RN

“Cost Per Case,” at the Association of periOperative Registered Nurses (AORN) Global Surgical Conference and Expo, in Boston, in April 2017.

Hope Johnson, DNP, MBA, CNOR, NEA-BC

“Enhancing Communication along the Perioperative Continuum,” at the AORN Global Surgical Conference and Expo, in Boston, in April 2017.

Amanda Knoll, BSN, RN

“We’ve Got Talent: Partnering with Human Resources for Recruitment,” at the AORN Global Surgical Conference and Expo, in Boston, in April 2017.

Jeanne Luke, MSN, RN, CNOR

“Staffing – Baby Boomers to Millennials, Finding the Balance,” at the AORN Global Surgical Conference and Expo, in Boston, in April 2017.

Margaret MacMahon MBA, BSN, RN, CNOR, CSSM

Jill Laudenslager, BSN, RN, CNOR

“It’s an Open and Shut Case: Airflow and Ventilation in the Operating Rooms,” at the AORN Global Surgical Conference and Expo, in Boston, in April 2017.

Rachel Wisner, BSN, RN, CNOR

“Pragmatic Interventions to Prevent Hospital-Acquired Venous Thromboembolism Events,” at the Oncology Nursing Society (ONS) 42nd Annual Congress, in Denver, in May 2017.

Nicole Karasek, BSN, RN

Deidre Kutzler, BSN, RN, OCN, CMSRN

“Excellence in End-of-Life Care for Patients Dying in an Acute Care Hospital,” at the ONS 42nd Annual Congress, in Denver, in May 2017.

Rochelle Bensinger, RN, OCN

Erin Detweiler, BSN, RN

“Esophageal High Resolution Impedance Manometry Studies: The GI Nurse Role,” at the Society of Gastroenterology Nurses and Associates (SGNA) 44th Annual Course, in New Orleans, in May 2017.

Linda Marks, BSN, RN, CGRN

Susan Buchman, RN, CGRN

“Empowering Night Shift Nurses to Transform Care at Night,” at the Philadelphia-Area Magnet® Consortium, Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia, in Philadelphia, in June 2017.

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