

26th Annual Evidence Based Practice Conference
Nursing – Back to Health
Poster Presentations
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Poster Presentations			
1	How to Reduce the Number of Unexpected Term Newborn Admissions to a Higher Level of Care: A Quality Improvement Project	Melissa Bengtson MSN RNC-EFM; Kelly Culmo BSN; Emma McGlynn BSN; Rebecca Kritzer BSN; Nicole Kent MSN, RNC-OB; Tetyana Svystun BSN	Hartford Hospital
2	High and Low Fidelity Simulation for Perianesthesia Skills Review	Wendy Savarese, MSN, RN; Shelby Greco, MSN, RN; Lisa Slowkowski, BSN, RN	Hartford Hospital/ Quinnipiac University
3	Discharge Video Conference with a Patient	Joanne Galayda DNS, FNP, RN CWOCN	Hartford Healthcare at Home
4	When I'm in it, I'm in it: Homelessness in the Endocarditis Population	Kathleen Vees, MSN, RN; Monica Rae Cluff, DNP, APRN; Carolyn Burke-Martindale, MSN, APRN	Hartford Hospital
5	Heel Thermography in ECMO patients: A Pilot Study	Laura Johnston, BSN RN, Marisa DiGiacomo-Spineti BSN RN CCRN; Danielle Miller BSN RN CCRN; Rachel Parks BSN RN CCRN	Hartford Hospital
6	Impact of a 6-week Intervention on Social Isolation & Loneliness in Older Adults	Caitlin Hanrahan; Kassi Zuewsky, Helen Tran; Richard Feinn, PhD; Nicholas Nicholson, Jr., PhD, MPH, RN, PHCNS-BC	Quinnipiac University
7	Reducing Lab Specimen Labeling Errors in the Acute Hemodialysis Setting	Greg Dagata, BSN, RN; Alex Ilchenko, MHA, BSN, RN; Susanne Yeakel, MSN, RN, NEA-BC CNML; Jarrett Lautier, MSN, RN, CNL, Acute Dialysis Service	Hartford Hospital
8	All Hands on Deck: Improving Emergency Department Behavioral Healthcare	Daniel Belanger, BSN, RN, Constance Grant, MSN, RN, Ryan O'Donnell, MSN, RN, NEA-BC, Erin Boyle, BSN, RN, Kristy Dixon Stinger DNP, MS, RN, NEA-BC	CT Children's

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9	Assessing Lower Extremity Hypoperfusion in ICU Patients on Vasopressors Using Thermographic Imaging	Roxanne O'Sullivan, RN, BSN, CWOCN; Kimberlee Cheney, BSN, BA, RN, CWOCN; David M. O'Sullivan, PhD; Lisa Q. Corbett, APRN, DNP, CWOCN	Hartford Hospital
10	Don't ask, Won't tell: Suicide Screening in the Pediatric Perioperative Setting	Kimberly Mancinelli-Hough, MSN, RN, CPN; Karen Lucas Breda, PhD, RN; Cherry Karl PhD, RN; Beth A. Wentland, MBA, BSN, RN, NPD-BC	Connecticut Children's / University of Hartford
11	A Descriptive examination of Bacterial Organisms found in deep surgical site infections following orthopedic trauma surgery at a Level I Trauma Center	Erica Lenk, S. Stohler, L. Jitendranath	Hartford Hospital Bone and Joint Institute
12	C-Differently: Diarrhea is not normal	Allison Wall MSN, RN, CMSRN; GERO-BC, CNL	Yale New Haven Hospital
13	Ambulatory Outreach: Diabetes Education for School Nurses	Comalita Elliott, BSN, RN, CDCES	Connecticut Children's
14	Safety Snacks to Improve Quality Indicators in Long Term Care	Leona Konieczny, DNP, MPH, RN-BC, CNE; Ashley Soyka, BSN, RN, LNHA	University of Hartford
15	Standardizing CHG Bathing Practices for the Prevention of CLABSIs	Samantha Spano MSN, BSN, RN	Bridgeport Hospital – No Poster Submitted
16	Implementation of Nurse Navigators into Vascular Service	Carolyn Burke-Martindale, MSN, APRN; Krista Monhollen, BSN, RN; Jason V. Proulx, BSN, RN; Akhilesh K. Jain, MD.	Hartford Hospital
17	Driving Nursing Inquiry through a Fellowship Program	Beth A. Wentland, MBA, BSN, RN, NPD-BC; Kristy Dixon Stinger, DNP, RN, NEA-BC; Katherine A. Hinderer, Ph.D., RN, CNE, NEA-BC	Connecticut Children's

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18	Staying Ahead of Post-operative Infections: Pre-precision Cefazolin Optimization in the orthopaedic Operating Room	Makaila Sinclair, BSN, RN; Tabitha Whetham, BSN, RN; Lavanya Jitendranath, MD, FACP; Sherry Stohler, MSN, RN	Hartford Hospital
19	Never Waste a Good Crisis: A Successful Health System Conversion	Jodi Katz, DHSc(c), BSN, RN, CNML; Heather Tolisano, MSN, RN	Yale New Haven Hospital
20	Expedited Radial Band Removal	Sarena Faretta, BSN, RN, Jessica Ouellette, BSN, RN, CCRN, Dina Petrafesa, BSN, RN	Stamford Hospital
21	Maternal Mortality in Rural America	Emily Cardinale, SN, Senior Nursing Student at CCSU	Central Connecticut State University
22	Early identification of malnutrition risk: Implementing a screening tool in an ambulatory clinic	Jennifer Zarrilli, MS, RD, CDN; Janet DeFrancesco, MSN, RN, CPON, WCC; Andrew Needham, BSN, RN, CPN, CPHON; Colleen Tripp, BSN, RN, CPHON; Maya Gibson, BS; Katherine A. Hinderer, PhD, RN, CNE, NEA-BC; Sarah Visker, MSN, RN-BC; and Allison Gomes, DCN, RD, CNSC, CDN	Connecticut Children's
23	Using a Conceptual Model as a Beacon for a Trajectory of Research about Nurses on Boards	Lisa J. Sundean, PhD, MHA, RN, Assistant Professor and Director	Fairfield University
24	Climate Change and Renal Health: The Evaluation of a Toolkit for Healthcare Professionals	Christie Torres DNP, APRN	Yale University
25	Improving Delirium screening in the Emergency Department	Isabel Muronzi-Belfon, RN; Paul Robinson, RN; Sarah Sanders, RN; Tzivia Moreen, MD	Stamford Hospital
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27	Adapting a Job Crafting Program for RNs in a US Urban Teaching Hospital	Jaelyn Davis, MBA, MSN; RN; Mary Ann Camilleri JD, RN, FACHE	Yale School of Nursing / Northwestern Memorial Hospital

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28	Reduction of Unnecessary Emergency Department Visits through targeted Patient Care Navigation for ED Overutilizers	M. Dustin Bass, MHA, BSN, RN, CEN, NE-BC; Mary Ann Camilleri JD, RN, FACHE	Yale School of Nursing/Atrium Health Cabarrus
29	Retention of the Newly Licensed Registered Nursing (NLRN) Workforce Post-Coronavirus (COVID-19): Establishing a Trauma-Informed Wellness Program	MaryEllen Hope Kosturko, DNP, MAHSM, RN, CENP	Bridgeport Hospital
30	Perceptions of undergraduate nursing students on racism and racial disparities in maternal health	Monika Costa, EdD, MSN, RNC, IBCLC	University of Saint Joseph
31	How is the COVID 19 pandemic feeding eating disorders?	Camryn Jeffko, Student Nurse	Central Connecticut State University
32	Preventive strategies to reduce central-line associated blood stream infections	Patricia Casey, BSN, CRNI, VA-BC, CLIN III; Janice Theroux, BSN, RN	Lawrence and Memorial
33	Forget the Filter: An Evidence-Based Approach to Etoposide Reactions	Leigh Hart BSN, RN; Michele Kervick Pharm D; Beth Palazzo BSN, RN; Karen Gradischer Pharm D, BCPPS; Janet DeFrancesco MSN, RN; Natalie Bezler MD; Heather Rea BSN, RN; Katie Lord BSN, RN	Connecticut Children's
34	Implementing a workload tool to increase float nurses' job satisfaction and reduce intent to leave the workplace	Lisa Czaplinski, MSN, RN, CMSRN; Joan Kearney PhD APRN FAAN, Advisor	Yale New Haven Health System

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35	Alcohol screening and intervention at a Level I Trauma Center for patients presenting following a traumatic event	Erica Lenk; Monika Nelson; Bethany Ayotte; Carmen Santos; Melissa Gomes	Hartford Hospital: Bone and Joint Institute
36	A pilot to improve advanced practice provider (APP) financial metrics through a practice management program	Stefanie Generao, MSN, FNP-BC, Yale University, Yale School of Nursing	Yale School of Nursing
37	HELP: A new tool to help guide post-operative management after Total joint arthroplasty	Dianne Vye, MSN, RN, ONC; Peter Cegelka, RN, BSN, ONC; Christina DiMaggio, RN; Kimberly Padovani RN, BSN, ONC; Swaroopa Vaidya, MS	Hartford Healthcare
38	Enhancing Patient Safety by Implementing a Preoperative COVID-19 Testing Protocol: The Yale New Haven Hospital Experience	Michelle Bolles Vitale, MSN, APRN; Rayna Lewoc, DNP, APRN, CRNA; Leslie Mordarski; Janet Parkosewich, DNSc, RN, FAHA	Yale New Haven Hospital
39	Newly Graduated Registered Nurse (RN) Perceptions of Practice: A Mixed-Methods Study	Amy Zipf, RN, MSN, PhD Student, Principal Investigator (PI); Dr. E. Carol Polifroni	University of Connecticut – No Poster Submitted
40	Evaluation of a Postpartum Hemorrhage Escape Room: A Multi-Site Study	Tamara Holland, EdD, CNM; Michele McKelvey, PhD, RN; Laurie Walter, PhD, RN, HNB-BC, CHSE; Joan Esper Kuhnly, DNP, NNP-BC, APRN, IBCLC, CNE; Jean Prast, MSN, RN, CHSE	Central Connecticut State University
41	Wellness Promotion Quality Improvement Project	Jacqueline K. Cantor, DNP, PMH CNS-BC, APRN	Central Connecticut State University
42	Creating a Nurse Innovation Culture at a Community Hospital	CJ Lucia BSN, RN; Sally Gerard DNP, RN	Stamford Health

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43	Say Hi! to High Sensitivity Cardiac Troponin (Hs-cTnT): Creating a roadmap for quick and efficient implementation of nursing education	Cynthia Kenney MSN, RN, CV-BC, CMSRN; Ruth Merenguelli MSN, RN, CV-BC, CMSRN	Yale New Haven Hospital
44	Symptom patterning across the cancer care trajectory for patients receiving chemoradiation for head and neck cancer: A retrospective longitudinal study	Hayley Dunnack Yackel, PhD, RN, CMSRN, OCN; Wanli Xu, PhD, RN; Jung Wun Lee, MS; Xiaomei Cong, PhD, RN, FAAN; Andrew Salner, MD, FACR; Valerie B. Duffy, PhD, RD; Michelle P. Judge, PhD, RD	The Hospital of Central Connecticut
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46	Toward advancing the science of nursing education: From disparate data elements to central phenomenal essence	Laura Dzurec, PhD, PMHCNS-BC, ANEF, FAAN	Hartford Hospital
47	Prone Positioning in Adults with COVID-19: A Medical Intensive Care Unit's (MICU) Experience	Carla V Hannon, APRN; Ashley M West, PharmD	Yale New Haven Hospital
48	The Impact of Patient Engagement on Length of Stay and Patient Satisfaction in Orthopedics:	Karen Livingston APRN, ONC; Iva Brinley MBA; Makaila Sinclair BSN, RN; Erica Braudrick BS, RN, ONC; Sherry Stohler MSN, RN; Regina Kostyun MSED ATC	Hartford Hospital: Bone and Joint Institute
49	Improving CAUTI prevention: Effective Staff Education	Dan Maxwell, BSN, RN; Brianna Coley, BSN, RN; Paula Urman, BSN, RN; Lead Contact: Barbara Flanagan, MSN, NPD-BC, CNL	Greenwich Hospital
50	Getting to Zero: Reducing Device-Related Hospital Acquired Pressure Injuries	Emily Nguyen, MSN, RN-BC, CNML; Susanne Yeakel MSN, RN, NEA-BC, CNML	Hartford Hospital

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51	Using Simulation to Strengthen Confidence in Emergency Department Nurses	Shelby Greco, MSN, RN; Jason Hamm, BSN, RN; Thomas Nowicki, MD, FACEP; Mary Sukumar, MD, CPHQ; Rebecca Gleason, BS, RRT	Hartford Hospital: Center for Education, Simulation, and Innovation
52	A qualitative evaluation of how individuals cope with chest/breastfeeding pain	Megan Russell, Advisors: Dr. Katherine Bernier Carney; Dr. Ruth Lucas	University of Connecticut
53	Utilizing an A3 Lean Methodology to Reduce Immediate Use Steam Sterilization in Orthopaedic Operating Rooms	Sarah B. Cruz CSPDT, CRCST, CHL; Michael Snow, CSPDT; Christopher Johnson, CSPDT; CRCST, CHL; Mark Pearson, RN; David Mintell, CST; Nicholas Tranchina, RN; Sara Strecker PhD; Jennifer Hehl RN, PhD, CNOR,	Hartford Hospital
54	Improving Resuscitation Team Performance through Defining Intensive Care Unit Nurse Roles and Responsibilities	Laura De Vaux, MSN, RN, CNL, Brianna Sowell, BSN, RN, SCRNP, Alexandra Hilliard, MSN, RN, CV-RN, CCRN, Regan Cutillo, BSN, RN, Jason Carbone, BSN, RN, Kevin Sigovitch, MSN, RN, Carolyn Bradley, DNP, RN, CCRN	Yale New Haven Hospital
55	Bridging the Gap in Postpartum Education Prior to Birth with class "Fourth Trimester & Postpartum Wellness"	Jennifer Dowe, BSN, RN, CLC, c-EFM, Sarah Quadrato, MSN, RN, c-EFM, Dana Muller, BSN, RN, IBCLC	Hartford Hospital
56	Monitoring the Hazards: Chemo Wipe Sampling in a Hospital Setting	Katie Lord BSN, RN and Celeste Zizzamia PharmD, BCSCP	Connecticut Children's
57	Delirium Education for Nurses in the Hospital Setting	Roxann Robinson, RN, MSN, Anna-Rae Montano, RN, PhD, MEDSURG-BC, OCN	Hartford Hospital