

## July 2025

## Office of Integrated Health Supports Network

### The Office of Integrated Health – Health Supports Network Regional Community Nursing Meetings

*"A safe space for nurses to discuss challenges, experiences, and ask questions."*

#### Goals

- To ensure individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities are receiving needed services.
- To provide a forum in which nurses (and others) can discuss ideas, challenges, policy needs (e.g. health policies, which affect individuals with IDD, to bring policy needs forward).
- To provide a forum for caregivers to interact with state agency representatives, to express concerns, develop educational tools and resources, and further enhance train-the-trainer models.

### Meeting Dates

#### Region 1: July 2, 2025

10am - 12:00pm

<https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/t/9e69f443-842c-4e71-b1d9-39c0914f9d18@620ae5a9-4ec1-4fa0-8641-5d9f386c7309>

Community Nurse Leader:

Kevyn Burn- [kburn@wallresidences.com](mailto:kburn@wallresidences.com)

#### Region 4: July 14, 2025

11am - 1:00pm

<https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/cc5316bc-2c8d-4780-93ab-f2fc56882f55@620ae5a9-4ec1-4fa0-8641-5d9f386c7309>

Community Nurse Leader:

Jeannette Gholson- [jgholson.thc@gmail.com](mailto:jgholson.thc@gmail.com)

#### Region 2: July 16, 2025

10am - 12:00pm

<https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/t/0a059b37-4b65-4371-b430-cbcf29809ab5@620ae5a9-4ec1-4fa0-8641-5d9f386c7309>

Community Nurse Leader:

Beatrice Claiborne - [bclaiborne@mycri.org](mailto:bclaiborne@mycri.org)

#### Region 3: July 18, 2025

10am - 12:00pm

In-Person Meeting at the Allison building  
at Cumberland Mountain CSB,  
196 Cumberland Road, Cedar Bluff, VA.  
24609

Community Nurse Leader:

Tammy Garnett -  
[Tammy.Garnett@mountrogers.org](mailto:Tammy.Garnett@mountrogers.org)

#### Region 5: July 28, 2025

10am - 12:00pm

<https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/34c35c7f-031b-490a-9a1d-957ac457a9b3@620ae5a9-4ec1-4fa0-8641-5d9f386c7309>

Community Nurse Leader:

Crystal Parker- [cparker@uecares.com](mailto:cparker@uecares.com)

#### Virtual Meeting Platform:

- The Regional Nursing Meetings will be conducted in the Microsoft Office TEAMS Webinar virtual platform. Registration will continue to be required to receive the meeting URL link, and phone access to each meeting. Registering using the URL link prior to the meeting date is recommended to avoid technical issues the day of the meeting. Some regions are beginning to meet in-person and/or hold hybrid meetings.

#### Presentation:

- This month David Wilson, OIHSN PT,CWS,ATP, and Tammie Williams, EdD, MSN, RN, Nursing Team and Educational Lead, will be reviewing how to obtain a new wheelchair for an individual with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). They will discuss the enter process from beginning to end.

#### Issues and Concerns Relevant to each Region:

- Open Group Discussion. Please feel free to share general issues or concerns you may be having, to obtain suggestions, resources and feedback from others. The meeting is a safe and supportive place for those providing care to individuals with IDD. Please do not share any personal health information about any individual.

#### Monthly CNE Opportunity: OIHSN Health & Safety Alert Review and Discussion:

- This month the CNE topic will be How to Obtain a New Wheelchair Health & Safety Alert. To receive **1 FREE CNE**, you must attend the meeting and return the quiz/evaluation by email, fax, or text. Just scan or take a picture of your completed quiz with your smart phone, and text or email it to your regional RNCC, with your name and email address clearly displayed. Your CNE certificate will be emailed back to you at the address on your quiz.

**NOTE: You don't have to be a nurse to attend. Anyone can attend the Regional Nurses Meeting of their choice. You do not have to attend the Regional Nursing Meeting where you work or reside. Simply register with the link provided to attend.**

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The [2025 Infection Prevention Educator Roadshow](#) is back with 5 in-person sessions across Virginia this summer! Hosted by the VDH HAI & AR Program, this no cost one-day event offers hands-on training and practical teaching strategies for those who educate healthcare workers.

Ideal for IPs, DICOs, and health educators building their toolkit — plus, you'll leave with a take-home bag of ready-to-use tools. This year's Roadshow combines top lessons from the past two years with new, interactive content. Expect training hacks, real-world design tips, plain language coaching, and a fresh spin on the PPE fashion show — all packed into one inspiring day.

Register for the Roadshow on [Train](#), search for Course ID: **1127404**

### **Governor Youngkin Marks the Start of 2025 Hurricane Season, Urges Preparedness:**

June 1st marks the start of the Atlantic hurricane season, and Governor Glenn Youngkin urges residents and businesses across the Commonwealth to take the necessary steps to prepare now.

To ensure the Virginia Emergency Support Team is prepared to respond and coordinate resources should we see impacts from storms, government agencies, first responders, community organizations, and private sector partners continue regular training and collaboration to ensure a coordinated effort.

#### ***Below are a few critical steps to ensure you and the individuals you support are safe:***

**Check your insurance coverage.** Now is the time to review your insurance coverage and contact your insurance agent for any changes. If you are not insured against floods, talk to your insurance agent, shop for private flood insurance, or visit [floodsmart.gov](https://floodsmart.gov).

**Know your zone.** An evacuation may become necessary depending on the track and severity of the storm. Review Virginia's evacuation zones at [KnowYourZoneVA.org](https://www.knowyourzoneva.org). Users can enter their physical address in the search bar of the website to view and confirm their designated evacuation zone.

**Complete a communication plan.** Prepare for how you will assemble and communicate. Identify meeting locations and anticipate where you will go. The Federal Emergency Management Agency guidance on communications plans is available at <https://www.ready.gov/plan-form>.

**Make an emergency kit.** Assemble an emergency kit that includes nonperishable food, water, medication, sanitary supplies, radios, extra batteries, and important documents. Learn more about building an emergency supply kit at <https://www.ready.gov/kit>.

**Stay informed.** Identify where to go for trusted sources of information during emergencies. Check with your local emergency management office to sign up for alerts that go directly to your phone or email. Be sure to monitor local news for watches and warnings in your area and follow the directions of local officials.

Learn more about preparing your family and property against hurricane threats (and other disasters) by visiting [Prepare | VDEM](#)

And to access the OIHSN Emergency Preparedness Health & Safety Alert follow this link: <https://dbhds.virginia.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/Emergency-Preparedness-Part-1-H-S-Alert.pdf>

[Department of Medical Assistance Services \(DMAS\), \(2025, June\). Cardinal Care Correspondence, Virginia's Medicaid Program](#)

