

PICC EXCELLENCE NEWS

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Our team is growing! We've hired a new Clinical Education Director to help manage our growing selection of in-person workshops and shadowing experiences.

Meet some of our team, including Dr. Moureau at the AVA Annual Meeting in October. It's not too late to register, and there's always so much to learn in our field.

We're preparing for a new Mastery Certificate Program in Ultrasound-Guided PIV Placement. Read about the UGPIV bundle below and get a jumpstart on the coursework required to earn this certification. More news coming soon!

Please let us know of any way we can help you with your continuing education needs. Because of clinicians like you, **PICC Excellence** is your BEST source for quality vascular access education.

Welcome Karen!

We'd like to extend a warm welcome to Karen Johnson, MSN, MBA, RN, CRNI, CPUI, VA-BC, who is our new Clinical Education Director!

She is a vascular access specialist with 40+ years of experience in pediatric, neonatal, adult, and within all care settings. An active clinician performing insertions of peripheral and central catheters, Karen is involved with patients and in providing education to staff. Certified in infusion therapy, PICC insertion and Board Certified in Vascular Access, Karen is immensely qualified as a clinician, educator, and vascular access expert.





Save on the New UGPIV Therapy Mastery Toolbox!

Discover the ultimate training for ultrasound guided peripheral intravenous (UGPIV) procedures! Our training toolbox is designed to equip learners, trainers, and organizations with a comprehensive and innovative approach to mastering UGPIV insertions, ensuring proficiency at every step. Upon completion of the courses, you'll be one step closer to earning your [UGPIV Therapy Mastery Certificate](#).

Courses included:

- [UGPIV Mastery Training Guidance Course](#)
- [Understanding the Basics of Ultrasound](#)
- [Ultrasound - What Do I See On the Screen?](#)
- [Vein Anatomy for UGPIV](#)
- [ANTT - Key Concepts](#)
- [Preparation for UGPIV Insertion and Key Signs](#)
- [Vein and Catheter Selection for UGPIV](#)
- [Ultrasound Guided Peripheral Catheter Insertion](#)
- [UGPIV Validating Success](#)

Get the Toolbox

Learn more about the UGPIV Therapy Mastery Certificate



Precepted Training Opportunities in Tacoma, Washington ***Pediatric PICC, Midline and UGPIV Placement***

Expand your experience working with pediatric patients with an intensive five-day shadowing opportunity in Tacoma, Washington. Attendees will focus on training for pediatric PICC, midline and UGPIV insertion and will have the chance to observe the host hospital's vascular access team in action.

Shadowing can be scheduled on dates of your choosing and will be coordinated between the facility and a PICC Excellence representative.

Precept and Shadowing Opportunities in Tacoma, Washington

Shadow Vascular Access Teams in Paterson, NJ and Lewiston, ME
Topics Covered Include UGPIV, Axillary CVADs, Midlines and More

We are proud to offer workshops that allow clinicians to shadow and learn from vascular access teams in Paterson, New Jersey and Lewiston, Maine. Attendees in Paterson can choose from one, two or three days observing patient insertions, which can include UGPIV, Midlines, PICCs, Axillary CVADs, Mid-Thigh Femoral and Jugular catheters.

In Lewiston, attendees will receive a more intensive precepted training with PICCs, Midlines and UGPIV over the course of five days.

Shadowing can be scheduled on dates of your choosing and will be coordinated between the facility and a PICC Excellence representative.

**Shadowing
Opportunities in
Paterson, New Jersey**

**Precept and Shadowing Opportunities in
Lewiston, Maine**



**Register for a webinar with Dr.
Moureau!**

Tune in August 23 at 2pm as Dr. Moureau delves into the composition of peripherally inserted central catheters (PICCs) and Midline catheters. The polyurethane materials used in many catheters interact with proteins and cellular adherence and can lead to complications like infection, thrombosis, and occlusion.

Dr. Moureau discusses her extensive literature review, which describes established benchmark results for these complications while also examining material types comparatively. Additionally, she will discuss the economic impact of these complications and the high priority of prevention.

**Register | Free for AVA Members/\$25 for
Nonmembers**



Q&A

with Dr. Nancy Moureau

Using Cathflo to Restore Midline Catheter Function

Question:

Do you believe that Cathflo can be a recommended treatment for occluded midlines?

Answer:

Cathflo is not recommended for use with Midline catheters by the manufacturer Genentech and use with Midlines would be considered off-label.

My thoughts in consideration of the published research are that special care should be taken and careful assessment of the Midline catheter and terminal tip position with ultrasound prior to the administration of any thrombolytic substance like Cathflo. The assessment should rule out infiltration or other problems at the terminal tip of the Midline prior to instilling Cathflo.

With careful selection and consideration for other options before administration of Cathflo to Midlines, certain patients may benefit from this treatment to restore Midline catheter function.

Warm Wishes,
Nancy

If you have a question for Dr. Moureau, email it to info@PICCExcellence.com.



Join us at the AVA Annual Meeting!

We will be exhibiting at AVA 2023 in Portland, Oregon. It's not too late to register to attend! Dr. Moureau will be presenting on the implications and liability associated with failure to properly use or implement vascular access safety devices and the available tools and applications for use during the initial assessment, insertion, and post-insertional evaluation of vascular access devices.

We're looking forward to meeting you! Visit us at booth 308!

Register for AVA Annual Meeting



Adult PICC/Ultrasound Workshop in Atlanta October 26-27

The next in-person workshop for 2023 is scheduled for October 26-27.

Day 1 covers the review and discussion of an essential PICC insertion and a practicum with simulated insertions. Day 2 integrates ultrasound assessment and guided access into the overall PICC insertion procedures.

Register

2024 Dates Announced!

January 25-26
March 11-12

May 9-10



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