We know the facts; interprofessional education and practice improves patient outcomes and staff engagement, and helps reduce medical errors.

For over 20 years, the Center for Academic Strategic Partnerships for Interprofessional Research and Education (ASPIRE) has advanced team-based care through interprofessional research, scholarship, education and clinical practice. With the support of the UVA School of Nursing, School of Medicine, Health Science Library, and public and private grants, the Center for ASPIRE has provided teamwork training to hundreds of UVA graduate and undergraduate nursing and medical trainees, as well as faculty and clinicians from a wide variety of healthcare professions.

**Center for ASPIRE Highlights**

**Nationally-Recognized IPE Expertise:** Advancing IPE through evidence-based research and clinical practice, ASPIRE has published over 20 peer-reviewed journal articles and presented at over 75 local, national and international conferences.

**UVA Patient Safety and Quality Improvement:** Supports significant UVA and national PSQI efforts, including:

- **O.R. Turnover Time:** Collaboration with Be Safe coaches and clinical staff to reduce room turnover time between surgical cases.
- **Be Smart:** Teamwork training for School of Medicine faculty and staff.
- **PSQI Training:** Over 200 hours of interprofessional PSQI/Teamwork training to medical and nursing trainees, faculty, and clinicians.
- **Unit-Based PSQI Projects:** Mentorship for numerous interprofessional Doctor of Nursing PSQI projects throughout the Health System.

**Faculty and Clinician Development:** Chosen as one of three national sites for the prestigious “Train the Trainer Interprofessional Faculty Development Program,” ASPIRE mentors a diverse audience of experienced educators and clinicians seeking to establish or grow IPE and collaborative practice.

**Collaborative Partnerships:** Successfully partners with colleagues across and beyond the university. UVA partners include the Schools of Nursing and Medicine, Business, Engineering, Health Science Library and Compassionate Care Initiative. Statewide partners include JMU, ODU, and Virginia Tech.

Many dedicated people are working to make UVA the safest place to receive and provide patient care. This mission is embodied in the work of two UVA organizations that happen to share an acronym—“ASPIRE”. Their work is unique but complementary.

**Excellence in healthcare begins with each of us committing to the UVA “ASPIRE” values:** Accountability, Stewardship, Professionalism, Integrity, Respect and Excellence. Living these values benefits the individual, the team, and most importantly—the patient.

Better patient care through better teamwork has been the mission of the Center for ASPIRE for over 20 years. Their rigorous IPE research, training, and assessment has helped make UVA a leader in team-based care.

Each UVA “ASPIRE” contributes to ongoing improvements in our Health System.

How can I be part of IPE@UVA?

**Contact us:** Visit ASPIRE’s website [ipe.virginia.edu](http://ipe.virginia.edu) or call (434)243-3952

**Train with us:** Next UVA Training is April 18-21, 2018. Visit website for details.

**Join us:** Become an IPE Ambassador! For details email: aspire@virginia.edu