# The By-Pass

# **Triangle Area Ostomy Association**

<u>OUR MISSION</u>: TAOA strives to provide emotional and educational support for those with an intestinal or urinary diversion or who anticipate the surgery. We support The Friends of Ostomates Worldwide (FOW) by contributing ostomy supplies to be shipped to underprivileged ostomates in foreign countries.



Sep 2024

#### President's Message

I hope everyone had a fantastic summer! I'm looking forward to hearing about all the trouble everyone got into over the break.

The Run for Resilience Ostomy 5k is Saturday October 5th! This is the 10th Anniversary so I hope to see you all there. Even if you don't want to run or walk you can always volunteer or come out to support the participants and the raffle!

See you all at our meeting September 3rd.

Regards, Dan Richards President

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#### NEWS AND UPDATES

- The program for our September meeting will be Product Updates from Convatec with Daniel McIntyre - Territory Sales Manager.
- The TAOA Board needs member support! We are currently looking for a Secretary/ Membership Coordinator.
- If you know of an event where you think TAOA would benefit from setting up an information table, please let Dan Richards know.
- If you think of a program that would be suitable for a Zoom meeting, please let Dan Richards or Stephanie Yates know.

### TAOA DUES REMINDER

Please submit your \$20 dues to our Treasurer Ruth Rhodes. You may print a copy of the membership form from our website at <a href="https://raleighuoa.org/membership-form/">https://raleighuoa.org/membership-form/</a> - look for the link at the top of the page. Or use the form on page 5 of this newsletter.

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#### TRIANGLE AREA OSTOMY ASSOCIATION (TAOA)

TAOA is a non profit organization dedicated to advancing ostomy health through advocacy, education, and professional interaction. We are an affiliated support group of the The United Ostomy Associations of America, Inc. Membership is open to ostomates, nurses and friends who support our mission. New members are always welcome.

Please refer to the membership form on the last page.

#### **WOC NURSES**

WakeMed R	aleigh, WakeMedCary,	Duke Raleigh Wo	ound Center Outpatient
	keMed North	Kayla Santangelo (outpt)	919-862-5573
Leigh Ammons	919-350-7668		
Varda Barthelemy	919-350-7668	Duke Health	
Melanie Johnson	919-350-7668	Michelle Rice	919-681-2436
<u>UNC Hos</u> t Lisa Jenkins	984-974-0410	Angela Richardson	919-684-9954
Lara Dupree	984-974-0410	Stephanie Stokes	919-681-1785
John Motko	984-974-0410	Mary Ann Whaley	919-613-5583
Janet Rankin	984-974-0410	Sarah Britt	
Jennifer O'Brien	984-974-0410		919-681-4678
Ann Sexton	984-974-0410	Lily Lane	919-681-7743
Becky McElyea	984-974-0410	Tara Beuscher (outpt)	919-668-7008
Colleen Spiller	984-974-0410	Donna Brickman	919-681-4634
Jessica Blakeslee	984-974-0410	Lilo Wilson	919-681-1648
Sophia Furlong	984-974-0410	Matt Keirn	919-681-8971
Otis Brown	984-97400410	Teri Arp	919-668-0135
Duke Regi		Rebecca Elvin (Pediatrics)	919-681-6694
Tom Hobbs	919-470-7215	, in the second of the second	
Felicia Street	919-470-6145	Maria Parh	am Hospital
		Kathy Thomas	252-436-1700
Stephanie Greenberg	919-714-3390		
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	my Clinic Apt or Support Line	Reba Giles	919-286-0411 X 6177
Kelly Smith	919-954-3446	Rex Hospita	
		Rachel Beth Breazeale	919-784-2048
Duke Raleigh Woul	nd/Ostomy Inpatient Hospital	Maggie Elliott	919-784-2048
Ronda Bowles	919-954-3089	Bryan Duttman	919-784-2048
Janet Jensen	919-954-3725	Elsie Murray Kristen Cowperthwait	919-784-2048 919-784-2048
		Kelly Gilleran	919-784-2048
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Tanya Duncan (outpt)

#### **Group Officers and Contact Info**

President: Dan Richards 919-624-3075 Vice President: Mary Brown 919-782-3957 Treasurer: Ruth Rhodes 919-782-3460

Secretary: Vacant

Newsletter: Alison Cleary 919-924-3325

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Program Coordinator and stephaniesyates@gmail.com

Prof. Advisor: Stephanie Yates

All Officers are available for member support

The Triangle Area Ostomy Association provides support for ostomy patients, caregivers, survivors and families. If you or someone you know needs assistance or support, please see the list of officers on page 2 to reach out and we will help you find the appropriate contact.

For more information about the Triangle Area Ostomy Association go to <a href="https://www.raleighuoa.org">www.raleighuoa.org</a> or look for Triangle Area Ostomy Association on Facebook.

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#### **CCFA SUPPORT GROUP**

Date: Third Monday of the Month Time: 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm

Place: Rex Healthcare
Contact: Reuben Gradsky

gutcheckrdu@gmail.com

#### TRIANGLE BLADDER CANCER SUP-PORT GROUP

Date: Second Tuesday of the Month Time: 7 pm – 8:30 pm Place: SECU Family House, 123 Old Mason Farm Road Chapel Hill, NC 27517

Contact: Ritchie Briggs 919-493-0551

> trianglebcs@gmail.com www.trianglebcs.com

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# 10th Annual Run for Resilience Ostomy 5k Sat October 5, 2024, Durham, NC

Join us as we celebrate the 10 year anniversary of the Run For Resilience Ostomy 5k run/walk event on October 5th at 8am on the American Tobacco Trail in Durham. This is a wonderful event to celebrate and support Ostomates and the UOAA! All proceeds go the UOAA and a portion of our race will also help fund a NC Ostomate to attend the 2025 UOAA Conference in Florida!



Register to walk/run here: <a href="https://runsignup.com/Race/NC/Durham/DurhamNCRunforResilienceOstomy5k">https://runsignup.com/Race/NC/Durham/DurhamNCRunforResilienceOstomy5k</a>

If you are unable to attend in person but still would like to help, you may donate to the race at <a href="https://runsignup.com/Race/Donate/NC/Durham/">https://runsignup.com/Race/Donate/NC/Durham/</a>
<a href="DurhamNCRunforResilienceOstomy5k">DurhamNCRunforResilienceOstomy5k</a>

If you would like to volunteer at the race on October 5th sign up here: <a href="https://runsignup.com/Race/Volunteer/NC/Durham/">https://runsignup.com/Race/Volunteer/NC/Durham/</a>
DurhamNCRunforResilienceOstomy5k

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at <a href="mailto:ostomy5kdurham@gmail.com">ostomy5kdurham@gmail.com</a>

Best, Lara DuPree

#### **New Project for UOAA**

UOAA recognizes that many healthcare professionals (nurses, nursing assistants, etc.) lack basic knowledge in caring for people living with an ostomy or continent diversion. An education program addressing this is long overdue, especially for home health and bedside nursing staff. UOAA has a plan to help address this concern. UOAA's new educational program "Ostomy Skills for Healthcare Professionals" will include a series of videos and PowerPoint presentations facilitated by Certified Wound Ostomy Continence Nurses (CWOCN®). There will also be commentary from ostomates throughout the program to ensure the emotional aspects of living with an ostomy are discussed. UOAA is seeking donations for this project in a separate solicitation.

UOAA has a matching donation that will provide additional funds for donations made between now and October 31.

#### **MINUTES TAOA MEETING JUNE 4, 2024**

Members connected via Zoom at 7:00 PM to enjoy socializing prior to the meeting. At 7:30 PM President, Dan Richards called the formal meeting to order. He welcomed 16 participants.

TAOA honored our WOC Nurses on Nurses Day by contributing \$200.00 to the UOAA Nurses Scholarship Fund. We thank all of our area WOC Nurses for the care they provide to Ostomates & their loyal support of TAOA..

Save the date of October 5th! Plan to attend the 5-K Race in Durham. There will be other enjoyable events including a silent auction.

Four more generous people have given Ruth large boxes of ostomy supplies for FOW. Jamal stays quite busy packing these for shipping. Thank you to our members who send donations to help with the FOW shipping expenses.

Our dear friend, Joanna Burgess, WOCN, is now working for Convatec. Joanna joined tonight's meeting to introduce her co-worker, Sue Mueller, WOCN. Sue's program demonstrated her expertise in working with Government agencies. She is working diligently to educate & establish necessary guidelines for all Assisted Living facilities in the U.S. Skilled Nursing Homes are Federally regulated but Assisted Living Centers have no consistent protocol. This can cause Ostomates to be unnecessarily denied entry. The denial is usually due to insufficient knowledge & misunderstanding of an ostomates care. Skilled nursing is not required, therefore Assisted Living should be allowed. Thank you, Sue, for enlightening us. We are grateful for your insistence on our behalf!!!

We will take a summer break in July & August. Anyone needing assistance may call any officer listed on pg 2 of your TAOA Newsletter. Hopefully everyone will have paid dues before our new year begins in September. The TAOA new year will begin with a Zoom meeting on Tuesday Sept. 3,2024. If you are new to our Zooms, please notify Ruth Rhodes or Alison Cleary to receive a link for this meeting.

This meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM

Respectfully submitted, Ruth Rhodes, Sec./Treas.

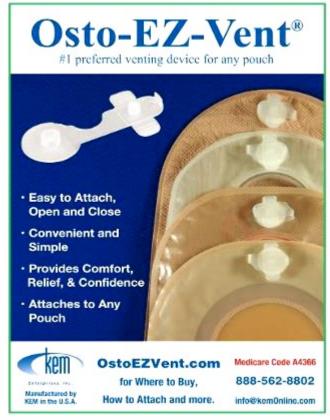




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