

Melody Heffline Receives Jeanne E. Doyle Award

Congratulations to Melody Heffline, RN, MSN, APRN, with Southern Surgical Group, who received the Jeanne E. Doyle Award, the highest honor of the Society of Vascular Nursing (SVN). The SVN is an international association dedicated to promoting excellence in vascular disease management and focuses on providing high-quality education, fostering clinical expertise and supporting nursing research.

Melody has worked alongside Dr. William M. Moore of Southern Surgical Group on several Phase II Food and Drug Administration clinical trials, bringing state-of-the-art vascular surgical technology to the state of South Carolina. She is directly involved in the care management of patients in various stages of vascular disease by acting as their instructor, caregiver and advocate. She excels in patient satisfaction and is a recipient of the Lexington Medical Center Award of Excellence and South Carolina Nurses Foundation Palmetto Gold Award.

Melody is dedicated to supporting and training other medical providers in vascular medicine. She has been a guest speaker at the Vascular Symposium, the Jobst Vascular Symposium, the North Carolina Vascular Nurses Annual Conference, the South Carolina Association of Vascular and Interventional Radiographers state meeting, and The Society for Vascular Nursing National Conference. Her expertise is also utilized in several committees around the Southeast, including the Anticoagulation Committee at Lexington Medical Center, the Nurse Practitioner Focus Group of Columbia, and the North Carolina Vascular Nurses Association. In addition to her work with professional organizations, Melody teaches medical students, nursing staff and other patient care staff the importance of responsible patient care and a comprehensive understanding of vascular disease. She has written several articles on vascular care and contributed to [Perianesthesia Nursing: A Critical Care Approach](#).

Melody is an example of outstanding vascular nursing and compassionate patient care. Her experience, enthusiasm and dedication make her a valuable member of the medical community, Southern Surgical Group, and Lexington Medical Center.

