

College of the Redwoods
Nursing Advisory Board Meeting Agenda
Thursday April 10th 2014
Humboldt Area Foundation – 2:30 – 4:30

Crestwood
Greg Parnell
Jackie Dempsey

#1. Call to Order
Brief Introduction all around

#4. Update Programs
1. NCLEX Pass Rates

2011 – 84%
2012 – 82%

Graduates:	2011	Generic 43	LVN – RN 9
	2012	Generic 39	LVN - RN 12
	2013	Generic 32	LVN – RN 14

Applications	2011	164 RN applicants & 16 Bridge applicants
	2012	158 RN applicants & 36 Bridge applicants
	2013	105 RN applicants & 8 Bridge applicants
	2014	105 RN applicants – no data

Wait list is 186 people

TEAS Test – Being used to determine readiness for Nursing
The passing score is 62%
Spring 2014 74 people took the TEAS test and 4 failed
Alison described TEAS content areas and potential student prep

Discussion: How TEAS and grade point average is used at CR to determine eligibility for entrance to the RN program.

#5. Bright Spots

1. R. Farrar – Students and interest in nursing, ability to think and problem solve. Assessment work allows us to systematically see students learning. There were several students worth bragging about but was not discussed. Focus on safety is being further developed using QSEN model. Agency nurses are very supportive to nursing students and faculty. Having Alison as the new director was also seen as a bright spot.

2. K. Dunleavy – Gave an example that day of seeing several CR graduates mentoring current students. Rewarding to see many CR graduates doing marvelous work

3. S. Urban – Moving first year students to MRCH and it fits perfectly – supportive staff. Working with both hospitals around quality and safety.

4. C. Wolfsen – Seeing students develop knowledge and skills in Mental Health and Geriatrics. Standardized patient scenarios described. The program is using case studies to strengthen Bridge students' clinical reasoning and judgment skills. College of the Redwoods is completely off sanction.

#6. BRN Self-Study and Site Visit – We are anticipating a BRN site visit for re-accreditation in April 2015. We are in the process of completing a total evaluation plan.

#7. Partnership with Sonoma State. Deb Roberts and Alison Stull are working on a partnership with Sonoma State to provide RN to BSN education on the North Coast. One full time faculty would be hired to run the program locally. Students receive nursing credit for successfully completing NCLEX. They take 6 units in the summer and the program takes 1.5 years total to complete. Sonoma state is already working with 5 other community college nursing programs so they are very experienced at this.

#8. Affordable Care Act

The County Mental Health, Crestwood & Open Door Clinic – Mental Health Services Partnership Insurance has contracted with Beacon to provide Mental Health Services for people with mild to moderate symptoms. County will take care of patients with serious mentally illness. In outpatient people are having trouble getting prescriptions and preapprovals for meds. Beacon pays less than even Medi-Cal and only 5 providers have signed up so far. Open Door has been managing both Medical and Mental Health but now must send serious mental health problems to the county. At Open Door Psych-Mental Health Services are currently on hold.

MRCH – Reports seeing their patient census increase. Implementation of ICD 10 codes was currently put on hold. Somewhat dissatisfied with current electronic health record as it does not fit with clinical work. Ken commented on the abundance of quality measures. Currently there are 30 up from 10 several years ago.

Public Health Department – The nurse family partnership has been able to expand services to Tri-County, Humboldt, Del Norte & Siskiyou counties. Immunizations have been shifted to providers. Now Public Health Department does over site rather than delivery. Partnership provides prenatal services but not sure how it's working as nurses are not involved

Humboldt Senior Resource Center – They will be going into Partnership Fall 2014. Now they have a nurse in Redding making decisions regarding eligibility. The PACE program is being developed for all-inclusive care for older adults. This is an at risk program for frail elderly over 55. Care is coordinated as needed 24/7.

#9 Needs of the Community

Open Door Clinic

- Partnership more effectively with CR
- Would like more student exposure to the HER
- Arrange an experience that gives students a broad range of experiences that reflect current practice in ambulatory care including spending an hour with the Director.

California Center for Rural Policy

- Welcomes working with students related to Nurse-Case Management

MRCH

- When hiring nursing graduates the hospital looks for people with life experience and commitment.

Crestwood

- Would like to see more student contact with Nursing

Open Door Clinic

- Have a person from the clinic speak with students on campus ahead of time to let them know what to expect. This experience is different from Acute Care. Possibly make a video that could be re-used to share experiences within the Community. A new program called Health Connections is a possible community placement for nursing students.

Humboldt County Mental Health

- There are new 5150 laws. There is new funding for medical detox. There is Community Corrections Center that's a possible community rotation for students.

Humboldt Senior Resource Center

- PACE program will be a great community rotation site for nursing students.