

Health Program Management Committee
Friday, April 20, 2012
Grimes State Office Building, ICN Room
Minutes

1. Meeting convened at 10:03 am with Chair Rita Berthelsen joining from Council Bluff's via ICN connection. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved once a quorum was reached.
2. *Roll:* Rita Berthelsen, Pat Thieben, Pat Martin, Sally Abbott, Lou Crary, Lisa Roederer, Laura Malone, Paulette Horner with Donna Orton joining later.
3. *Reports of members:*

Donna Orton, Pat Martin, Lou Crary – Gave an update on the initiative to increase RN to BSN for the state of Iowa from the current 25% to 80% by 2020. 13 states met in Minneapolis recently to discuss this initiative and it was agreed by all that this is being driven by employer request. 4 models are being proposed.

Laura Malone – Gave an update on Magnet Initiatives and Pathways to Excellence

Sally Abbott – Kirkwood is changing their Medical Terminology class to a 4 credit hour program. They also are focusing on their 1st semester Dual Credit courses as being more exploratory in nature.

Lou Crary - Mount Mercy is looking at assigning clinical sites due to the limited number they have to go around.

Lisa Roederer – They are looking at various ways to make the transfer from LTC to home smoother. They also are looking at methods for decreasing psychotic medications through the use of more training of nurses. Due to the many, almost daily, recommendations of changes to documentation charting, the movement to electronic charting is proving to be challenging.

Laura Malone – Laura spoke of a 2 year project entitled Partnership for Patients. They are looking at methods for reducing 9 common healthcare readmission diagnoses. She also gave information regarding Nurse Residency Programs

Dawn Fichter (via Pat Thieben) – The HOSA Conference was very successful with 123 students attending. Thank you to all who assisted!

Paulette Horner – High school Health Science programs are still struggling to balance numbers being placed in their programs versus being placed in dual credit classes. Many healthcare career bound students are graduating without ever having patient contacts.

4. *Department of Education Update* by Pat Thieben –
 - a. Go to www.vcn.org to find an excellent career exploration site.
 - b. Annual condition of community colleges and the community council meeting
 - c. Iowa Education Reform – a bipartisan committee has been formed to hash this out.
 - d. Update and information regarding Senior Year Plus
 - e. Curricunet – This is a DEA data gathering program for community colleges

5. *Program of Study* – 13 POS grants have been given to community colleges. The Health POS model Program of Study grant was given to Iowa Western Community College. Rita discussed the Secondary survey that was sent to various schools. This survey is looking at what Secondary schools feel are strengths and weaknesses of Health Science programs and curriculum, when linking to Post-Secondary education.
6. *Organization of Health Educators Organization (HOE)* – The Health Deans asked the committee to give them a bit of guidance for the reorganization of the Health Professional organization that is linked to IACTE. Recommendations to them will include a change of name to Iowa Health Science Educators (IHSE). Other recommendations were made and Pat Thieben will forward our recommendations to the Health Deans.
7. *Perkins 101* – Pat Thieben had a Power Point to give a brief overview of Perkins. She will be sending out the Health example to each of us. As a side note, Arnie Duncan has revealed the recommendations for changes for the reauthorization of Perkins and they can be found at www.desmoinesregister.com
8. *NCHSE Standards* – Please review the standards at www.healthscienceconsortium.org. It's important to review these as we move forward with our Model Health Program of Study.
9. *Health Educator's Conference* – Go to Kirkwood's Internet site for full details and registration. This promises to be a very good conference for health educators
10. *IACTE Conference* – Information for registration for the conference can be found at www.iactebizland.org. We have several health workshops scheduled on both days of the conference.
11. *Membership to our committee* - It was decided that there is no longer a need for a student representative and the LTC spot has been filled. Instead it was suggested to find a Health Information Tech (HIT) who may be interested as well as possibly a secondary counselor. Contact Pat Thieben if you have any other suggestions.
12. *Next meeting* – July 20th Webinar. Contact Pat Thieben if you have items for discussion.
13. *Other* – Budget: Pat Thieben needs to submit her budgets for approval. The budgets presented were unanimously approved for submission.

Respectfully Submitted:
Paulette Horner