

Practical Nursing Advisory Board Meeting Minutes *November 15, 2023, 2:00-3:00 pm, Zoom*

Attendance:

- Ashley Picard
- MaLinda Wrisk
- Jason Ebersole
- Dr. Marylou Mercado
- Heidi Sanborn
- Jacqueline Mench

1. Introductions: a. Yavapai College Grant Team: - Clint Ewell, EdD, Authorized Official - Dr. Marylou Mercado, MSN, RN, CNE, FNP-BC, Project Director - Ashley Picard, MSN, RN, Program Coordinator/Budget Manager b. Grant Partners: - VA Northern AZ Healthcare System - Dignity Health-Yavapai Regional Medical Center - Good Samaritan Society - Granite Creek Health and Rehabilitation Center - AZ Nurses Association - Northern AZ Council of Government

2. Grant Program Overview:

- \$80 million in grant funding for nursing workforce development.
- Two Tracks:
 - Increase nursing instructors and educators.
 - Train frontline healthcare professionals.
- Targeted demographics: various populations with employment barriers.
- YC Program Summary:
 - Upskilling CNAs, LNAs, and MMP to LPNs.
 - LPN job growth in Yavapai County.
 - Grant period: June 2023-May 2028.

3. Performance Milestones: a. Curriculum – 22 credits, 2 semesters, 6 program outcomes. b. Advisory Board: - Representation from each grant partner. - Quarterly Advisory Meetings. c. Hiring Process: - 2 full-time teaching positions. - Requirements: BSN with 3 years patient care experience. d. Student Recruitment/Enrollment: - Open application cycle in January 2024. - Verify certification/licensure and work experience. e. Equipment Purchases: - Simulation Equipment: Nurse Anne, Sim Mom, Sim Baby, Sim Capture, BD Pyxis Med Bank Tower, IV Pumps. f. Implementation: - Deliver the program to 120 learners from Fall 2024-Spring 2027. g. Data Collection and Record Maintenance: - Student records, policies, preceptor engagement. h. Evaluation: - Quarterly advisory meetings, review of performance measures, consideration of program continuation.

4. Performance Outcome Measures:

- Various measures including total participants served, completed program activities, earned credentials, and entered employment.

5. Open Forum:

- Discussion on the inclusion of LPNs in the Arizona Nurses Association.
- Potential for LPNs in domiciliary mental health and rehab at the VA.
- Challenges in staffing and servicing veterans.
- Partners looking forward to local stream of recruitment.
- Future communication and collaboration discussed, confirmed afternoons work well for meetings.

6. Next Meeting:

- Wednesday, February 21st, 2:00-3:00 pm, Zoom.

7. Action Items:

- Ashley to send out ppt presentation to advisory board 11/15/23 after meeting

8. Adjourn.