



**Nursing Programs Advisory Meeting
Friday, Oct 23, 2020. 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM**

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Minutes

Attendance:

Aaron Thorne – SVRMC _ Critical Care, SDU, and Surgery
Chrissy Curry – 2020 RN Class President
Debbie Mockler - Young - Administrator, Marian Extended Care Center
Eileen Donnelly – LVN Program Director
Heather Plackplyer - Clinical Educator, Dept. of State Hospitals: Atascadero
Irene Ornelas – HWI DSN Central Region
Jessica Sanchez – 2020 RN Student
Karen Koppes - Educator, Lompoc Valley Medical Center
Larry Manalo Jr. – RN Program Director, Allan Hancock College
Marcia Scott – RN Program Director, Cuesta College
Margaret Lau – Dean, Academic Affairs, AHC
Mary Pat Nelson – CNA Program Director, Health Sciences Department Chair, AHC
Michelle Lehne – LVN Faculty, AHC
Patty Scoales – Supervisor, SB Public Health
Veronica Luz – LVN Faculty, AHC
Yvette Calhoun - Director of SB Public Health
Yvette Cope - Chief Nursing Officer, Lompoc Valley Medical Center

1. Meet and Greet: Introductions and Facility Updates. All participants provided introductions and comments.
2. Approval of the 2019 Minutes: The motion was made to approve the minutes as shown. (M/S/P: E. Donnelly. M.P. Nelson. Yes: 8. No: 0. Abstain: 0).
3. Approval of the Agenda: The motion was made to approve the agenda. (M/S/P: E. Donnelly. M.P. Nelson. Yes: 8. No: 0. Abstain: 0).
4. AHC Program Updates
 - Certified Nursing Assistants –
 - Fall class is offered. They are completing. State exams are scheduled.

- Assistance by Debbie Mockler-Young. There were adjustments in the number of students. The students were apprehensive
- Home Health Aid – 24 CEU for CNA certificate. Winter class has been cancelled.
- Personal Care Attendant – They would not require the same training as the CNA. Debbie M-Y. strongly supported the program.
- DL offering of the CNA program pending D of Public Health.
- Licensed Vocational Nursing
 - Impact of COVID on student nursing education. Faculty and student concerns regarding the change in instructional modality. Resilient group of students
- Registered Nursing – Feasibility of ACEN accreditation
 - Students perspectives on RN program. Stressful time. Student input. Finishing strong.
 - 32 students are graduating in Dec 2020.
 - 8 students were able to access CSU Channel Islands BSN pathway.

5. Upcoming Projects

- Central Services Technician – M P Nelson already mentioned that the program has already been approved. It is awaiting CCC Chancellor's Office approval.
- Patient Care Attendant – provided background. Debbie Mockler Young provided a need for the program.
- Support Courses – Noncredit Courses for CNA, LVN, and RN
- Virtual Simulation and Emergency Remote Teaching

6. Reports: Covid and Impact on Healthcare

- Karen Koppes – LVMC – She found that the new graduates were nervous at first and lacked patient interaction skills. They were eased into it with prolonged orientation and coaching.
- Marcia Scott – Director of RN Program. Cuesta College – She provided lessons learned regarding overall conduct of classes and clinical placements, adjustments in the number of students in clinical sites that required frequent COVID testing, and creative approaches to graduation by Zoom. She described a care package for students that included:
 - Memorabilia like program sash, pins, invites, and program.
 - Creative program that included memories showcase and message from the instructors.
 - Limited Zoom invites to 2 friends/families as a limitation of Zoom.
- Patty Scoales, Supervisor/ Yvette Calhoun – SB County Public Health. They shared the overall support of the staff to comply with mandates and prevent the struggles with
- Heather Plackplyer – Clinical education Liaison for Cuesta College and Allan Hancock College. The DSH Atascadero closed access to students due to the high vulnerability of the patients. The facility implemented COVID mandates and the staff were resilient and compliant. Of the patients who tested positive for COVID, they were asymptomatic. She looks forward to having students back in spring 2021. Leah Holmes is the current nursing director.
- LVN Faculty, Allan Hancock College – Michelle L. and Veronica D. identified the struggles of students during the transition to online instruction and alternative clinical experiences. The students were able to cope with the change. The faculty mentioned that the verdict is still out there regarding how this change in instructional modality would affect their performance in the upcoming NCLEX-PN.
- Aaron Thorne – NM critical care, Step-down unit, and surgery, SVRMC – shared that the hospital adjusted to the pandemic by modifying surgery schedules and designating special

units. They had low to no spikes in new cases within the last few weeks. He indicated that they developed partnerships with local hospitals and community outreach.

- Debra Mockler-Young – Administrator, Marian Extended Care Center. She mentioned the impact of frequent testing and monitoring of staff and patients. MECC was the only long-term facility that had a COVID unit. She was able to get the students to meet some clinical requirements in compliance with COVID mandates.
- Irene Ornelas – HWI DSN South Central Coast Region. She provided information on current emphasis on Behavioral Health. She will be checking on feasibility for support noncredit courses for nursing and curricular offerings for faculty to be content experts for mental health. She provided information on currently available resources like Nurse Tim.
- Overall, there was consensus that the health care facilities were able to adjust to the changing mandates. There common issues were frequent testing, increased staffing, supplies, and limited visitors.

7. Adjourn. The next meeting is to be arranged.