

Welcome to the fourth issue of our monthly newsletter, which would not be possible without the generous support of the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation.

In September 2004, the Foundation approved a two-year grant for the implementation of a Centralized Clinical Placement System (CCPS), which is the first of three potential centralized services for enhancing the quality of nursing education to improve patient care.

We've recently renamed the 'Shared Services' program to Nursing Resource Center of the Bay Area. Not only do we believe this more accurately describes the service we plan to provide, we hope the name will be replicable in other California regions, should we have the opportunity to expand beyond the nine Bay Area counties.

CCPS is managed jointly through two independent non-

profit organizations. The California Institute for Nursing & Health Care coordinates daily operations and the Foundation for California Community Colleges is designing the online system and serves as fiscal sponsor.

The purpose of the newsletter is to keep the nursing community up-to-date regarding CCPS implementation and status of the other Nursing Resource Center of the Bay Area initiatives.

We hope to meet with as many nursing colleagues as possible to discuss this exciting project and to answer any questions you may have.

Please feel free to contact any member of the Operating Committee listed in this issue. We are pleased to have the opportunity to work with each of you.

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Centralized Clinical Placement System Progress Highlights

This month, we've been able to meet with a significant number of hospitals and healthcare organizations to spread the word about our program. Our goal is to reach all of you! Please let us know if you'd like to schedule a meeting.

Online Clinical Placement System

- School beta testing took place from January 24 to February 7.
- All 11 beta schools participated in the testing and provided constructive feedback on the system.
- Work is underway on development of the matching piece – targeting mid-March for training and testing.
- Scheduled meeting date to convene the beta testers to discuss progress, share updates and conduct training.

Communication and Outreach

- Project team attended education/service partnership meetings throughout the Bay Area and will continue to attend regularly to provide project updates and provide system demonstrations.
- Team shared system demonstration with multiple hospital groups and hospital leaders.
- CINHC hosted a booth at the ACNL annual conference in Monterey, sharing a demonstration of the CCPS.
- CINHC and FCCC attended both Bay Area and statewide RHORC meetings, providing project goals and highlights to 400 nurse leaders.

Centralized Faculty Resource Center Progress Highlights

This component of the Nursing Resource Center of Bay Area offering is taking shape. While it is still in the development stage, we have been able to give it real focus and direction. Many thanks to the Operating Committee for all of your hard work (members listed on next page). Progress includes:

- Instituted a name change to Centralized Faculty Resource Center (CFRC) to more clearly define the service.
- Proposal creation in progress.
- Increasing outreach efforts to increase awareness of program and gain support throughout the Bay Area – the goals and components of the CFRC have been shared at all meetings we've attended as part of our overall communication and outreach effort.
- Will increase focus on this initiative after showing success with CCPS.

Regional Simulation Labs Progress Highlights

This program is anticipated to follow the CCPS and CFRC. We are still in the initial research phase.

- Several Operating Committee members plan to attend a conference for a potential simulation vendor, METI. The conference is in Tampa the week of February 21.
- We've received leads about potential locations and available space to house the lab(s).
- Official kickoff planned in the next few months. Please contact KT Waxman if you are interested.

A Peek at the CCPS

Here is the home page of the beta version of the CCPS. Let KT, Nikki or Brenda know if you or your facility would like us to present a system demo!



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Want to see progress of the CCPS Operating Committee? Visit our intranet site at:

<http://moore.ccps.intranets.com>

If you're not a member, contact Nikki at nikki@cinhc.org for access.



Upcoming Events

- CCPS training for beta group on the matching component to take place mid-March.
- Continued communication and outreach throughout the Bay Area.
- CFRC proposal submission to the Moore Foundation.
- Continued research on Regional Simulation Labs at METI conference.

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