

Alliance for Clinical Education (ACE) Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: April 22, 2013 8:00am – 12:00noon

Location: Swedish Medical Center

ACE Contact Persons: Kathy Casey (Chair)

Adams State University – Yvette Lujan | Aims Community College – Danette Altergott | Arapahoe Community College – Geri Rush, Linda Ketcham, Sue Treitz | Avista Adventist – Deb Culter | Banner Health – Stephanie Drobny | Center for Nursing Excellence – Karen Kowalski, Marianne Horner | Central Colorado AHEC – Gloria Nussbaum | Children’s Hospital Colorado – Betsy Colbeth, Anne Wolters | College America – Meredith Ceccon | Colorado Christian University – Peg Miller, Dennis Ondrejka | Colorado Mountain College – Shannon Kyle | Colorado Northwestern Community College – Judy Hiester, Kathy Fagan, Kelly Martin-Puleo | Colorado Nurses Association – Kasey Grohe | Concorde – Katie Bull, Carmen Luttrell | Denver Health – LeeAnn Kane, Dalia Ghosh | Denver School of Nursing – Kesa Herliny, Bonnie Shaffer | Emily Griffith – Kathy Kail | Exempla Lutheran – Kathy Casey | Exempla St. Joseph – Vicki Vowell | Front Range Community College (Westminster) – Denise Bucher, Suzanne Villiers | Front Range Community College (Boulder) – Tammi Bailey, Christi Scherneck | Greater Metro Denver Healthcare Industry Partnership – Judy Emery | Kaiser Permanente – Marthie Baker | The Medical Center of Aurora – Kate Norton | Metropolitan State University of Denver – Barbara Nelson, Shawn Anderson | National American University – Darlene Tafoya | North Suburban Medical Center – Tammy Dechant | Platt College – Hollie Caldwell | Porter Adventist – Mary Wontor | PSL/Rocky Mountain Hospital for Children – Julie Baumer | Regis University – Greg Dehler, Rosann Messere, Candy Schoeneberger | Rose Medical Center – Telly deBoarts, Trisha Beiermann | St. Anthony Hospital – Darcy Copeland | St. Anthony North – Crystal Fant | Swedish Medical Center – Sandie Kerlagon | University Hospital – Kathy Foss | University of Northern Colorado – Kathy LaSala, Karen Gorton | University of Phoenix – Jennifer Freeman, Eniko Sturts | VAMC – Darcy Donaldson, James Keough

Agenda Item	Discussion	Follow-up
Networking		
Welcome/ Introductions/ Round Robin	<p>Meeting called to order 0830 by Kathy Casey. Introductions by all attendees and new members welcomed. The ACE contact list was circulated.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UCH opened a new ED 2 weeks ago. Two hundred beds will be added to hospital. The Neuro ICU will double from 12 to 24 beds. • CCU’s first cohort is graduating in May. A new cohort will start shortly. All full-time faculty positions have been filled. • Greater Metro Denver Partnership is starting a new initiative in the fall to design a course for specialty training for new grads. • Exempla St. Joseph will have two new cohorts of 16 new grads starting later this year. The first will be July/August and the second will be October/November. The new hospital will open at the end of 2014 and have 360 beds. • Children’s Hospital is opening a satellite facility in Highlands Ranch in December with close to 100 inpatient beds. • University of Northern Colorado is preparing for graduation in about three weeks. • Denver Health is undergoing renovations and construction, but is not increasing the number of beds. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emily Griffith completed a brand new simulation lab. They will move their main campus in about fifteen months. Thanked clinical partners for placements. • St. Anthony Hospital North will break ground on a new hospital building. • Adams State University will enter their second cohort in May. • Denver School of Nursing keeps growing. • Front Range (Boulder) has one full-time faculty position open. Students recently completed a 9News Health Fair and served over 800 participants. • Colorado Northwest Community College is graduating 25 students in May. Judy Hiester is retiring. • Platt College thanked partners for generous clinical placements. • University of Phoenix recently signed a contract with Boys and Girls Club to serve over 800 children. • Arapahoe Community College is working on dual enrollment so their students can continue seamlessly to BSN. Sue Trietz is retiring. • Front Range (Westminster) is looking to hire a full-time M/S instructor. Thirty-nine students will graduate in May. • Colorado Board of Nursing has a new interim director, Cheryl Hara. The application period for the director position has closed and one of the candidates should be hired by early June. • Kaiser Permanente’s Longmont and Fort Collins clinics are open. A clinic in Greeley will open soon. A specialty center at I-25 and Lincoln will open in December. • Regis University is in the process of implementing their new curriculum, and thanked the agencies for clinical placements. • Exempla Lutheran Medical Center received recognition from Health Grades for achieving a score in the top 5% of core metrics. Wanted to alert schools to the fact that hospitals are graded on metrics, including patient satisfaction surveys. Scores are tied together to reimbursement. 	
Minutes	The minutes from the January 2013 meeting were approved.	
Review of Student Attestation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was agreed to remove the line about cultural diversity training from the attestation. Students receive this training threaded throughout the curriculum. 	
Nominations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair Kathy Casey asked that members interested in serving as chair-elect contact her during the break. 	Ballot will be prepared for the July meeting
Community Reports <i>Colorado Nurses Association – Kasey Grohe</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CNA is focusing on forming a multi-state compact with other western areas. • CNA has hired a lobbyist and supports HB 131068, HB 131180, SB 13014, and SB 13200 • Members are invited to contact Sara Jarrett with questions. 	

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<p><i>Colorado Center for Nursing Excellence – Karen Kowalski</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Center’s ten year anniversary party will be on May 2nd at Four Mile Park. Please call or e-mail Leeanna at the Center if interested. • A major initiative is under way to collect statistics and data on Advanced Practice Nurses. This will be compiled into a report to be released by the end of the year. • The Center is working with Colorado Action Coalition on two projects. The first is to RN-BSN leadership development. The second is to fill the vast number vacancies on government boards with qualified nurses. If you are interested, please contact Karen Kowalski at the Center. • At 7%, Colorado has the lowest percentage of women board members in the United States. 	
<p><i>Colorado Center for Nursing Excellence – Marianne Horner</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The next clinical scholar course will be at Exempla Lutheran Medical Center, July 22-26. There are still openings. The following clinical scholars meeting will be held at Rose Medical Center, October 21-25. • The HRSA grant for long term care leadership development is in the second of three years. The most challenging aspect has been to get long term care DONs and ADONs together. • The next Powerful presentations workshops will be held August, 12, 13, & 14. • Project Health Colorado is working on increasing nurse membership on boards. There is a speaker’s bureau for nurses who want to speak out at local organizations. Contact the Center if interested. 	
<p><i>Central Colorado AHEC – Gloria Nussbaum</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nightingale award dinner was a great success. • AHEC is working with school of medicine to place students with family practice and obstetrics doctors. Students nominate doctors for awards, and a ceremony will be held at the Doubletree. • A class on healthcare for military vets and their families will be held at PSL on June 28. • Students are working on a project to target obesity in underserved areas, including how to prepare nutritional meals from food pantries. 	
<p><i>Board of Nursing – Cheryl Hara and Roberta Hills</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full Board meeting to be held tomorrow to discuss rule changes regarding the Multi-State Compact Act, and Advanced Practice Nurses. • Feels the stakeholder meetings were very effective and plans on holding more in the future. • The Board has vacancies and invites applicants strongly interested in consumer protection for CNA, long term care nurse, employee at long term care facility, member of the public, and a nursing service administrator. Directions for application are available at the Board website. • Board is working on policies for military veterans returning to the community. • In response to a question on how Board approves new programs and expansion of existing programs, Dr. Hills responded that the Board factors a number of considerations into their decision (including clinical availability, class room space, student resources, etc.). Dr. Hills 	

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	<p>stated that students should only be placed for clinical in a place where RNs are hired and employed. Clinical experience should not be observational only.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A second question from the membership asked if the BON has data comparing numbers of students and student clinical placement with other areas in the United States. The answer is no. The Center does not have this information either. 	
Colorado Council of Nurse Educators – Suzanne Villiers and Dennis Ondrejka	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marty Bachman of Front Range (Larimer) was voted chair of the ADN/LPN group • Colorado Community College Systems approved a new LPN curriculum that will be submitted to the Board shortly. • ADN programs continue to explore seamless progression to BSN programs • BSN group of CCNE is exploring the role of money in clinical placements and who makes the decisions for placements. Is it the CNO or the CEO? • Impending retirement of faculty is a serious concern. How do schools hire more faculty? 	
2013 Placement Request Process – How did it go?	<p>Comments by Schools:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Still waiting for responses to placement requests that were due April 1. • ADN programs asked why their placements were cut. ADN programs provide opportunity to students who cannot afford four year schools. Most ADN students express their intent in progressing to at least a BSN. • Feels BON does not support creative alternatives to acute care placements. <p>Comments by Agencies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patient census and new graduate hiring is dropping. • Staff burn out is a significant issue. Staff voices concern to CNO, who requests reduction in student numbers. • IOM focus on BSN education plays a significant role in determining which students to place. This is a better return on investment, and more attractive to upper management. • School expectations for placement are too high. There were numerous overlapping requests that cannot be accommodated due to space limitations. • It is frustrating that schools circumvent the education department by going directly to the CNO and/or CEO with complaints and placement requests. • Have to accommodate new programs and expansion to existing programs. 	
My Clinical Exchange Subcommittee – Linda Ketchum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thirty-five percent of requested rotations have been approved or denied in My Clinical Exchange (MCE). Please respond to fall requests ASAP, and respond to spring and summer as quickly as possible after that. Requests should be approved via spreadsheet and in MCE. 	Meeting will be held in June to evaluate the MCE rollouts and make recommendations for future implementation.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The subcommittee will have a meeting in June to evaluate the implementation of MCE. All ACE members are invited to participate. A sign-up sheet was distributed around the room. Shekar is working on new improvements in response to user requests and comments. 	
Clinical Instructor Attestation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The line referring to the cultural competency was removed from the draft attestation, and the document was approved for future use. 	
My Clinical Exchange Training – Amber Castagna	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amber discussed new features in the next release, including student’s ability to upload documents and training videos, and demonstrated the export and report features. Amber responded to questions from the membership. Some members expressed security concerns and Amber referred them to Shekar. 	More information on updates will come from Clientsolv
Excellence in Elder Care – Jan Dionne	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provided an overview of the creation and philosophy behind the Lutheran geriatric ED, and outlined the four ways in which the geriatric ED differed from the conventional ED: 1) Least chaotic experience 2) Best emerging care specialized for this unique population 3) Screen for risks over 65 (dementia, delirium, falls, nutrition) 4) Make the best disposition possible. Discharge planning is first and foremost. Suggested several courses for schools to take, such as including delirium in pathophysiology courses, sensitivity training, increased socialization to elderly population. 	
Next Meeting	Monday July 22, 2013 8:00 AM – 12:00 Noon at Swedish Medical Center. Submit agenda items for future meetings to: Darcy Copeland DarcyCopeland@Centura.org or Barb Nelson bnelso64@msudenver.edu	

Respectfully submitted,
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Secretary, ACE