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Bay Area Nursing Resource Center Chronicle

Centralized Clinical Placement System is the first of three potential Nursing Resource Center services sponsored by the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation

Welcome to the seventh issue of our monthly newsletter, which would not be possible without the generous support of the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation. In this issue, we have many exciting updates to report, including the official launch of the Centralized Clinical Placement System and the development of our Customer Support Desk. We are ecstatic about the progress made and eager to share it with all of you.

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 Nursing Resource Center (NRC) services for enhancing the quality of nursing education to improve patient care.

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 on CCPS implementation and on the status of the other Bay Area Nursing Resource Center 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 project participant or lead to learn more. We are pleased to have the opportunity to work with each of you.

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Bay Area Nursing Resource Center (NRC) Launch

We have secured the domain name BayAreaNRC.org and will use it to create a main menu web site for the CCPS and our other planned shared services. Please stay tuned for communication about the web launch and be aware that you may start to receive e-mails from BayAreaNRC.org e-mail addresses. This is a very exciting step in our efforts to make these resources widely available.

Centralized Clinical Placement System Highlights

At the end of April, we officially launched the CCPS. It is fully functioning, with scheduling and reporting capabilities. Over the next several weeks, our development team will make the system more user-friendly. Feedback has been very positive from new users. We are excited to expand use across the Bay Area and have met with several schools and clinical agencies to demo the system and enter Fall 2005 placement data. Please contact us if your facility would like to join!

Progress and highlights for the month include:

- Data has been entered for 14 schools of nursing and 24 hospitals throughout the Bay Area. We have meetings scheduled with several others to help enter their Fall 2005 data.
- Plans to expand system usage significantly over the next few months.
- Planned release of updated system, User Manual and Policies & Procedures within the next several weeks.
- Designing Customer Support Desk, including roles and responsibilities. Customer Support will be a single point of contact for technical support, access issues, securing login information and training requests. Additional details about the Customer Support Desk will be released next month.

Centralized Faculty Resource Center Highlights

With the success of the CCPS, we are hopeful we can start work on developing the CFRC shortly. We will be submitting a proposal for this project to the Moore Foundation later this month. Based on the outcome, we will determine how and when to assemble the Operating Committee. Our goal is to kick off the project mid-summer 2005.

Regional Simulation Lab Highlights

This program is expected to follow the CCPS and CFRC. We have been meeting with simulation experts to assist with designing the system in preparation for developing the grant proposal. We plan to bring in a consultant within the next several weeks and move ahead with design as quickly as possible. We will submit the proposal to the Moore Foundation by the end of 2005.



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

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Project Team Update

Cheryl Swenson has joined our team as the NRC Online Coordinator. Cheryl is housed in the FCCC offices in Sacramento. Her responsibilities will include creating and staffing CCPS Customer Support, training new users and serving as a contact for additional training. She will assume responsibility for distributing future newsletters and may contact you with CCPS announcements and new features. Cheryl has several years of experience training customers on new software applications. Welcome Cheryl!

Nikki West will be on maternity leave for the next several months, with an anticipated return in September. While she is out, KT Waxman and Cheryl Swenson will assume her responsibilities. Cheryl will handle specific technical issues about the CCPS. KT will handle communication and continue to enroll hospitals and schools.

Bay Area NRC Users

Thanks to our CCPS users and supporters. Our accomplishments would not be possible without you!

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Audrey Berman and Lina Gage-Kelly, Samuel Merritt College
Peggy Burton, Kaiser Walnut Creek
Pat Davis and Cindy White, Mt. Diablo Medical Center
Rita Dorr-Twain, Kaiser Oakland
Diana Dunn, Kaiser Regional
Rachael Fysh, Unitek College LVN Program
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Teri Gorman, Cal State East Bay
Jessica Jordan, Valley Care Health System
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North Bay

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Margaret Craig, Napa Valley College
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