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Respiratory Care Program Advisory Meeting

Date & Time: March 15, 2012, 5 pm

Location: T502 A

Participants/Attendees:

Name	Title	Affiliation
Jeff Stephens	Program director	Antelope Valley College
Wendy Stout	RCP instructor	Antelope Valley College
Chris Weitz	RCP adjunct instructor	Antelope Valley College
Glenda Franklin, CRT	Interim director of Respiratory Therapy	Antelope Valley Hospital
Richard Stout	Parent	Community member
Dr. S. Ahmed	MD, medical director	Antelope Valley College
Jessica Carrillo	Student	Antelope Valley College
Charmaine Satterfield	Student	Antelope Valley College
Isaac Onwuegbusi	Student	Antelope Valley College
Dr. Karen Cowell	Dean	Antelope Valley College

Absent: Ashley Hubbell, Director, Respiratory Therapy, Palmdale Regional Medical Center

Introductions were made.

Minutes of 9/22/11 and 12/2/10 meetings were approved as written.

Review of program goals:

Program goals were reviewed; there were no comments or edits. Motion to approve as written: Wendy Stout, seconded by Isaac Onwuegbusi.

Curriculum Updates and Input from Industry:

Clinical site issues: None at AVH, per Glenda Franklin. Representatives from PRMC were absent.

Instructors should be reminded to scan all meds and patient bar codes.

Wendy asked Glenda if RCP students could get log on for electronic medical records. Chris has a method of giving students access to WOWs. Glenda will look into this.



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Wendy said that she is working with Huntington Memorial Hospital for Peds ICU experience. There are no other programs using this unit.

Credentialing:

Jeff will submit the report on April 15.

Student results on the survey look good (93% return). Issues were: amount of equipment and medical director interaction. Jeff commented that the students had more interaction with the medical director and other physicians than previous classes. Dr. Ahmed will rotate between the two hospitals on Tuesdays beginning next week to review x-rays with students for about 45 minutes.

There was concern about meeting the employment benchmark for CoARC, but all programs are experiencing this concern. Only three graduates of the last class have jobs and there are only 38 openings in the state. Glenda said that she is working to establish a per diem pool that could possibly employ new grads. Karen commented that RN students were going out of the area for jobs.

Curriculum issues:

Sleep medications and sleep studies should be added to the curriculum. By 2015 all sleep lab techs need to be licensed and RTs are good employees in this area. Dr. Ahmed and his tech would welcome students. Dr. Ahmed mentioned three central topics that students needed to know: obstructive sleep apnea, central sleep apnea, and apnea related to obesity. Glenda said that EEGs are being taught in the sleep studies curriculum so grads could cross over into an area that has a shortage. Dr. Ahmed already has a session that is 90 minutes and could present the didactic on a Monday afternoon. Jeff will work on a contract for the doctor's sleep lab.

Pinning date: Tentatively Thursday, May 31st at 6:30 pm in the cafeteria.

Karen complimented Glenda for the presentation that she gave at the February 23rd Health Careers Information Fair.

Meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm.

