**Coalinga College**

**Psychiatric Technician Program Advisory Board Meeting Agenda**

**04/04/2024 from 2:00-3:00 pm**

**In person or via ZOOM**

**Meeting called to order:** 2:03 pm by Geeti Farrahi

**Attendees:**

Cynthia Ballesteros

Rosalind Young

Veronica Arredondo

Alexis Perez

Angela Gonzalez

Nicole Hallberg

Rhonda Mayer

Annette Ruvalcaba

Bobbi Mahfood

Sherry Barrigan

Valerie Walker

Hector Dam-Mikkelsen

Sarah Dahl

Sam Aunai

B Phipps

Leigh Milan

Geeti Farrahi

1. **Welcome and Introductions:**

**-**Each attending member did a short introduction

1. **Review and Approve Previous Meeting**

-Approval Motion: V Arredondo 1st, Hector 2nd

1. **Existing, Past, Future Cohort Updates**

**-Geeti-**Information shared on the pass rates, completion, and job demand. Current Cohort 14 new students and 3 returning students.

**-Sherry-** Changes in structure of course to increase the pass rate.10% increase in completion and pass rates needed. Smaller cohorts are recommended by the Board. Data presented on the California demand for PT, a growing profession and is expected to grow by 10%.

-**Mayer**- Trending down in enrollment due to Covid. An increase can be seen coming out of Covid with numbers and completions.

1. **Academia- Curriculum Revision:**

**-Rhonda-** Changes will be in effect as of July 1st, 2024. The changes are related to prerequisites. The pre-req hours had to be removed from the curriculum. As a result, we have integrated some of the pre-reg contents into the curriculum and some of the prereqs are changed to college transfer degree-eligible pre-req courses and not specific to the Psych Tech program. The curriculum hours have changed from 1647 to 1530 hours. The program continues to be a two-year program. 6 months for pre-reqs and 18 months (3 semesters) for the actual program. These changes may affect the Title 4 for Financial Aid Funding-Pathway changes. The counselors are taken into consideration when placing the students on the program pathway.

Geeti entertained the motion to approve the curriculum changes per BVNPT regulations and approve the CNA program and Medical Assisting. **Approval Motion:** Sherry Barrigan 1st, Valerie Walker 2nd

1. **College, Program Update (Coalinga and Firebaugh)**

**-Geeti**- College name change from WHCC to Coalinga College

-**Sherry-** CNA Program Application for Coalinga and Firebaugh submitted, Firebaugh’s HS-061, CNA program has been approved, the program is 9 weeks, and the clinical site is Palm Care Center

-**Rhonda**- Medical Assistant composing future courses of HS082, HS084, HS15X

1. Community Partnership Report/Added comments:

**-V Arredondo-** For MA, what boards will they be going through for completion?

-Rhonda to get back with the information.

-Sherry has requested for classifications.

-**Hector**-Asked what are the current openings for PT in their location?

Sarah Dahl (CSH) – No more than 30 students on daily operations, 200 vacancies

B Phipps (PVC)-50 to 60 vacancies

**-Geeti**- Asked what sites or schools they use:

CSH: 2 schools, Napa, and Atascadero

PVC: Porterville, possibly COS

**-Cynthia-** Adventist Hanford is interested as a site to use.

**-Geeti-** Expressed the is explorations for new clinical sites.

**-CSH-**Mentioned their resource offered, 20/20 Program for employees working on their RN and PT schooling in an accredited school.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 2:46 pm by Geeti Farrahi

**Minutes:** Victoria Alfaro, Program Assistant

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