

Porterville College Health Careers
 Health Careers Advisory Committee Meeting
 Minutes
 December 17, 2024
 1100-1200

Committee Members: Kathie Allred (Kaweah Health), Lynette Johnson (Adventist Delano), Lisa Mirales (PDC), Angela Gonsales (PDC), Jeffrey Hudson-Covelo SVMC), Larraine Torrez (Adult School PSD), Mara Lawson (Kaweah Health), Bryan Phipps (PDC), Trent Fiori (Imperial), Veronica Arredondo (DSH Coalinga State Hospital)
Other: Kim Behrens, Elizabeth Keele

AGENDA ITEM	<u>DISCUSSION</u>	ACTION
Meeting minutes	Reviewed November 3, 2023 minutes	Approved
Committee Purpose and Objectives	The advisory committee shall serve as an informational body. The committee members are expected to provide professional expertise and recommend establishing an environment of continuous quality improvement in program curricula and student success.	
New Health Careers Building	The division moved into the new building over the summer.	
Review of Programs		
Program Information and Policies	Program policies can be accessed at https://www.portervillecollege.edu/programs-and-classes/health-careers/index.html	
EMT Program Curriculum NREMT Pass Rates Paramedic Program	The EMT curriculum includes EMT-Basic, EMT continuing education, and Public Safety and First Aid Certification. The curriculum is up to date with DOT/Title 22 curriculum. NREMT pass rates continue to struggle below 40% since COVID. Prior	No curriculum revision recommendations.

	to COVID pass rates were 60%. One adjunct instructor resigned. The program has downsized from 2 cohorts of 3 per semester to 1 cohort per semester. The division continues to submit an annual request for a full-time faculty for the EMT program to bring stability, growth, and a paramedic program.	
<p>PT Program CAPTLE Pass Rates</p> <p><i>BVNPT Regulation Curriculum Hours Title 16 CCR 2533</i></p> <p>Department of Education Federal Regulation CFR 600 and 668</p> <p>Concurrent Enrollment BA Degree Grand Canyon Univ.</p>	<p>Licensure pass rates for 2023 is 93% and pass rates for May 2024 cohort is 95%.</p> <p>The Dept of Education regulation CFR states Title IV Pell Grant funding will no longer be for more than the minimum number of hours required for licensure. The total minimum hours for Psych Tech is 1530. The program's total hours were 1548. The program reduced the total clinical hours from 972 hours to the minimum required 954 hours (Title 16 CCR 2533) over the summer, with implementation in the fall of 2024.</p> <p>The program has established a concurrent enrollment agreement with Grand Canyon University. Psych Tech graduates will be granted 44 units towards their bachelor's degree in health science.</p>	No curriculum revision recommendations.
<p>RN Program BRN Continuing Approval NCLEX Pass Rates Curriculum Revision</p>	<p>The RN program continuing approval site visit was completed on April 3-5, 2024. The program was fully approved with zero deficiencies and two recommendations. The recommendations are to increase the release time for the Assistant Director from 0.2 to 0.4 and for the Director of the program to be 100% dedicated to the RN program only.</p>	No curriculum revision recommendations.

	<p>The program increased enrollment from 20 students admitted once a year to twice a year in January 2023. The first cohort of fall graduates completed the program last week.</p> <p>NCLEX-RN pass rate for May 2024 cohort is 94%.</p>	
<p>LVN Program</p> <p>Curriculum COA AS</p>	<p>LVN program was ranked as the priority #2 needed program at the advisory committee meeting in 2022. The college was awarded the CSJVK16 LVN Pathway grant \$275,500. The grant funds are being used for curriculum development, simulation equipment, and faculty development. The target date for implementation of the new LVN program is Spring 2026.</p> <p>The Vocational Nursing COA curriculum outline and content were reviewed with discussion. The proposed curriculum is 55 units total including prerequisites 6 units, core courses 49 units with total hours 1530. The proposed courses for submission in February are</p> <p>Prerequisites: CRS P008 Introduction Human Anatomy & Physiology OR BIOL P052 Survey of Human Anatomy and Physiology HCRS P009 Health Careers Fundamental Concepts NURS P100 Strategies for Success Nursing Programs</p> <p>Core Courses VNRS P070 Fundamental Concepts of Vocational Nursing Practice VNRS P071 Concepts of Vocational Nursing Care of the Adult 1 VNRS P072 Concepts of Vocational Nursing Care of the Adult II</p>	<p>100% yes for approval of the Vocational Nursing Certificate of Achievement and AS degree.</p>

	<p>VNRS P073 Concepts of Vocational Nursing Care Across the Lifespan</p> <p>Once the program is approved by PC and KCCD the curriculum will be submitted to the BVNPT for approval. Target implementation date remains January 2026.</p> <p>9 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstentions for approval of the Vocational Nursing Program curriculum.</p>	
<p>Committee Discussion and Recommendations State of Industry Industry Trend Hiring needs and skills requirements</p>	<p>PDC shared their high vacancy rates with the need for LPT, RN, and LVN.</p> <p>SVMC shared vacancy rates for nursing are improving and current priority needs are rad tech and medical sonography.</p> <p>Imperial stressed the continued urgent need for Paramedics in southeastern Tulare County encouraging the college to start a Paramedic program. The Paramedic shortage is predicted to continue to worsen.</p> <p>Kaweah Health vacancy rate is improving but still experiencing a shortage of RNs and LVNs.</p> <p>Adventist Delano continues to hire our new grads and has needs in ER/OR/ICU and throughout the hospital.</p>	

	PUSD Adult School has a Pharm Tech, CNA, MA, and OR tech programs. The adult school proposed a collaboration with PC regarding prerequisites for the PT and VN programs.	PC Health Careers and the Adult School will in the spring to discuss outreach.
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