Indiana State University
2005 - 2006 Administrative Annual Report
Nursing Continuing Education
Year in Review

Achievements

As you have heard, increasing public awareness of Indiana State University’s accomplishments is crucial to building student enrollment, influencing policy makers, and developing a place of pre-eminence in the Midwest. What do you consider to be your department’s accomplishments for the 2006-07 year that will contribute to this effort? (Please list in priority order and limit to no more than 8.)

Our continued quality continuing nursing education programs. 1. Cherish Your Heart Health held on February 14, 2006, at the Landsbaum Center for Health Education. 2. Emergent Care and New Advances in Burn Therapy held on January 26, 2006, at the Landsbaum Center for Health Education. 3. Sprining Forward With Perinatal Issues held on April 13, 2006, at the Landsbaum Center for Health Education. 4. Wound Care Symposium 2005 in collaboration with HealthSouth Hospital of Terre Haute held on October 27, 2005, at the Landsbaum Center for Health Education. 5. Rural Automatic External Defibrillator Training within counties of the central and northern parts of the State of Indiana. 6. Continued program collaboration with Indiana Organization of Nurse Executives, Indiana Rural Health Association, Indiana State Nurses' Association West Region, and the March of Dimes. 7. Turbo Charge Your Nursing Program held on May 5, 2006, in honor of National Nurse's Week at the Holiday Inn of Terre Haute. This program was offered free of charge to all nurses in the community. We had 9 sponsors - Indiana State University College of Nursing, Indiana State University College of Nursing, Continuing Nursing Education Program, Union Hospital, Terre Haute Regional Hospital, HealthSouth Hospital of Terre Haute, AP&S Clinic, West Central Indiana Area Health Education Center and Indiana State Nurses' Association West Region. We had an attendance of over 100 nurses.

Enrollment

What steps did you take this year to aid ISU in overcoming enrollment challenges?

N/A

Action Steps

Do you have any further progress you would like to report?

We continue with our planned programs that offer exceptional speakers and information to the community.

Assessment

What are two ways in which you evaluated the quality or effectiveness in your area last year? What changes did you make based on those assessments?

Our effectiveness is measured by our evaluation tool for each program that we have held. We have offered new programs that past participants have shown an interest in attending. Our program information is available on several organization's websites as requested by participants.

Budget
As you know, ISU is facing significant budget challenges. Finding ways to overcome these while increasing efficiency requires innovation. How are you overcoming your budget challenges this year?

First, we are decreasing our overhead cost by sending our fliers to a more targeted area of nurses and other allied healthcare professionals, and having the fliers available on several organizations' websites for participants to download, as well as, the College of Nursing website. Secondly, we are striving to decrease the cost to attend our programs by working in collaboration with outside agencies. Lastly, we are holding our programs at the Landsbaum Center for Health Education and avoiding a charge for use of an outside facility.

Strategic Initiatives

Development Activities

What role might your unit play during the silent phase of the comprehensive fundraising campaign?

N/A

Future Goals

Have you considered any action steps your department could make to enhance Indiana State University’s reputation as a University of choice? If so, please indicate what you are planning to do and tell us which area of planning your steps fall under.

We are planning 3 community engagement programs in the upcoming fiscal year. CE= Community Engagement The first program will be COPD Awareness targeted for patients and their families that live within the community and outlying areas of the Wabash Valley. This program's goal is to help patients and their families adapt to the diagnosis and live a healthier, and more productive life. The second program will be a Lead Screening held at a local area business in an at risk area of the community to identify children under the age of six with possible lead exposure. This program will also provide lead education to the members of our community at no cost. The third program will be a Diabetic Education Awareness program held in collaboration with a local physician. This program will provide diabetic education to the Wabash Valley Community at no cost. We are also developing "Quest for Success", an international NCLEX Review for foreign trained nurses in collaboration with Academic Alliance. This NCLEX Review will be offered three times each calendar year.

OTHER = Other category

Feedback

This box is to allow you to share any ideas you have on enhancing enrollment, dealing with budget, challenges facing the administration, etc.

As far as nursing is concerned, I feel that we need to reach out to the local area hospitals to develop a RN-BSN program that meets their needs in a more efficient manner. This is currently being studied/developed within the College of Nursing at Indiana State University.