

NEWS AND REVIEWS

Board of Directors

Nancy Connell, NWONE

Susan King, ONA

Beverly Shields, OSBN

Lucille Krull, OCD

Faye Melius, OCAP

Staff

Kristine Campbell

Executive Director

campbelk@up.edu

Miranda Robertson

Executive Assistant

robertso@up.edu

Volunteers Needed!

- If you or someone you know would like to volunteer for OCN please send an email to robertso@up.edu
- We need volunteers for fundraisers, conferences, career fairs, nursing education and for various other projects and programs.



Because Oregon's Health Depends On It.

LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE— MAY 15-16 2006

The Oregon Center for Nursing and the Oregon Nursing Leadership Council hosted a very successful Nursing Leadership Summit entitled “Building the Foundation: Clinical Leadership at the Point of Care” on May 15-16, 2006 in Portland, Oregon. The Summit is Phase I of a three-phase Nursing Leadership Development Initiative and was generously funded by the Northwest Health Foundation. The conference objectives were to explore clinical nursing leadership development at the point of care and examine what has been working thus far, and how best to proceed in practice. The goal is to build leadership competencies to improve patient outcomes, improve retention of nurses and build present and future nurse leaders.

The conference included four nationally known keynote speakers, 12 poster presenters, a panel of nursing exemplars and timed group discussions. The 110 conference attendees included nurse executives, managers, staff nurses and students from the



Group discussion during “talking stick” sessions

state of Oregon.

The Executive Director of the Oregon Center for Nursing, Kristine Campbell says, “This conference was vital for many reasons, but especially to recognize that all nurses have leadership responsibilities, thus we want to help build their leadership competencies. Nurses are accountable of leading their practice, leading the care of their patients, and leading the teams that provide patient care. My hope is that we will continue to cultivate bright, passionate clinical nurse leaders.”

OCN would like to thank all of

our conference speakers and participants for making this year’s conference so successful. We would also like to thank our sponsors; The Northwest Health Foundation, Portland VA Medical Center, Peace Health Sacred Heart Medical Center, PNNLI, Medical Staffing Network, ONA, Linfield College, OCAP and UBI.

Conference evaluations and information can be viewed on the OCN website. Click on Media Center, then Events, then scroll down to the leadership conference.

A WORD FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR KRISTINE CAMPBELL RN, PHD



Welcome to the first ever “News and Reviews” newsletter of the Oregon Center for Nursing. The OCN Board of Directors and staff are delighted to share what’s going on at the Center with you. We’ve been busy. We are pleased to welcome Carol Mitchell, RN, MN, who joined us Sept. 1, 2006 as the Regional Nurse Clinical Placement/StudentMAX Nurse Coordinator.

(See StudentMAX on page 3) Carol will be working to fully operationalize this program and we look forward to sharing her successes in the future newsletters. We extend our sincere thanks to Linda Snow from Linfield College, who has been the StudentMAX Project Director and is responsible for it’s success.

(continued on pg. 2)



Because Oregon's Health
Depends On It.

A WORD FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (CONTINUED FROM FRONT PAGE)

We are also in the process of expanding StudentMAX to a statewide program.

The OCN/ONLC Nursing Leadership Summit was a huge success (see headline story). The Leadership Planning Committee is in the process of developing Phase II of the Nursing Leadership Initiative which will continue to focus on development of leadership competencies in staff nurses. The work done at the conference will lay the foundation for Phase II. A Long Term Care Leadership Task Force has also formed with the goal of developing and supporting LTC Directors of Nursing and Resident Care Managers.

An LPN Task Force has been formed as a result of the LPN Summit that was held last fall. The LPN Task Force is now housed in OCN and co-chaired by Cyndi Andrews from CCHAP and myself. The mission is to determine the need for and use of LPN's in Oregon.

In our next newsletter, I'll highlight the Nursing Diversity Initiative that started the Nursing Diversity Summit hosted by Linfield College in Oct. of 2005.

OCN is honored to be selected to host a *J & J Promise of Nursing in Oregon* event on June 7, 2007. This is a major fundraiser for nursing in Oregon. J&J pays for the event

and all of the money raised will go toward nursing student scholarships, faculty development and program expansion. The event is a gala dinner for Oregon's nurses and promises to be a highlight of the year. More to come next issue.

We continue to pursue stable funding for OCN. We welcome your ideas and support, and of course, your donation. Your contributions will support our efforts to solve the nursing shortage. For more information on how you can help support the Oregon Center for Nursing's Efforts, please visit our website at

www.oregoncenterfornursing.org

"Solving the Nursing Shortage, Because Oregon's Health Depends on It."

"PLAY FOR OREGON'S HEALTH" GOLF TOURNAMENT— JULY 13, 2006

On July 13, 2006 we kicked off our 3rd annual "Play for Oregon's Health" Golf Tournament fundraiser at the Reserve Vineyards and Golf Club. The event was a huge success raising nearly \$35,000 for OCN. This year we had 21 teams, two of which tied for first place; the Barran Leibman team (Rick VanCleave, Todd Hanchett, Brad Tellam and Bob Carey), and the Campbell team (Doug Campbell, Colin Campbell, Jim Gurrao and Bob Menzia.)



We would like to thank our fantastic volunteers for all of their hard work and for helping to make the tournament better than we ever expected.

We would also like to acknowledge the organizations whose sponsorship made this event possible; Kaiser Permanente,

A beautiful day at the Reserve

Providence St. Vincent Medical Center, Asante Health System, the Northwest Health Foundation, Laerdal Medical Corporation, Tuality Healthcare, The Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems, The Oregon Nurses Association,

the Oregon Council of ADN and PN Programs and Susan Matlock Jones and Assoc. Thank you.

Save the date for next year's tournament on July 13, 2007 at the Reserve.

Oregon Center for Nursing

Franz Hall 334D
5000 N. Willamette Blvd.
Portland, OR 97203

Phone: 503-943-7150
Fax: 503-943-7496
robertso@up.edu



Because Oregon's Health Depends On It.



To Order Posters, please call 503-943-7150 or email robertso@up.edu

STUDENTMAX- NURSING CLINICAL PLACEMENTS

We welcome our newly appointed Clinical Nurse Coordinator, Carol Mitchell, RN, MN. Carol has a long and diverse background in nursing, education, administration, and as an entrepreneur. Most of her nursing experience has been in the Northwest, primarily the Portland area. Carol's clinical background is critical care nursing at the bedside and as a Clinical Nurse Specialist. Throughout the past 29 years, Ms. Mitchell been on the nursing faculty at both Community Colleges and Universities in Oregon, Washington, and Arizona; held administrative roles as Director of Education, Quality, Management Systems, and Nurse Executive; and, was owner and President of Carol Mitchell & Associates, a provider of con-

tinuing education for nurses and educational consultant to hospitals and businesses. She has had a long-standing relationship with schools of nursing and acute care facilities throughout Southwest Washington and Oregon.

The Regional Nursing Clinical Placement Workgroup (RNCPW) was formed to improve the clinical placement process for RN and LPN students in the Portland metro-southwest Washington region. A process for coordination and collaboration was developed and a web-based software program, StudentMAX, was created to implement the process. Thirty-two partners from hospitals and schools meet monthly to improve the

process for clinical placements and education of nursing students. The StudentMAX program is being marketed to other states, with 5 states already on board and several others interested.

The workgroup will continue to modify StudentMAX to meet the needs of the users with a goal of adding long term care and expanding community based clinical placements.

To view the StudentMAX program go to:

www.OCNplacement.org

Welcome

*Carol Mitchell RN, MN
Clinical Nurse Coordinator*

nrscoord@up.edu

Oregon Center for Nursing

Franz Hall 334D
5000 N. Willamette Blvd.
Portland, OR 97203

Phone: 503-943-7150
Fax: 503-943-7496
robertso@up.edu

www.oregoncenterfornursing.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

October

10 LPN task force meeting, 10am, University of Portland

24 Oregon Health Career Center- Career Day- Portland Community College

26, 27 Oregon Consortium for Nursing Education (OCNE), Clinical Education Summit, Eugene