



How Can Nursing Education Contribute to Reversing the Primary Care Crisis in Michigan?



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Michigan Primary Care Consortium Recommendations Related to Nursing Education





- Rec: Engage evidence-based educational practices that encourage student choice for primary care
 - Recruitment from diverse and rural communities
 - Experiences that support full scope of practice
 - Build interdisciplinary team/collaboration learning experiences to programs



- Rec: Create equitable distribution of clinical education slots
 - Statewide consortium across all disciplines utilizing primary care clinical experiences
 - Reimbursement to defray decreases in revenue due to decreased preceptor productivity



- Rec: Endowments to recruit students in Michigan
 - Designated scholarships that allow for student's earned income
 - Community based initiatives that support developing NPs for a region or community
 - Endowed chairs



- Rec: Incent Primary Care infrastructure development through state funding
 - Subsidy for nursing faculty practices
 - Support for development of simulation to augment “client-based” clinical learning experiences
 - Technology support for practices with students to augment learning



- Rec: Admission preference for those with primary care interest
 - 59% of MI NPs practice in primary care (MICNP – 2008)
 - 179 NP graduated in MI in 2008
 - Full-time primary care practice opportunities are not always available
 - Salary differential with specialties



- Rec: Financial aid preference to primary care students
 - Increase access to National Health Service Corps
 - Graduate Nurse Education (GNE) funding
 - Expanding Medicare nursing funding to Universities especially for graduate education



- Rec: Institutional support for planning/
design for multidisciplinary team training in
primary care
 - MDCH
 - Foundations local, state, and national
 - HRSA and other federal sources



- Rec: Develop team training in clinical and simulation sites
 - Interdisciplinary team training with differentiation of nursing roles
 - Targeting team training for populations with evidence to support multiple discipline provider care teams i.e. multiply co-morbid chronic diseases and frail elders



- Rec: Develop training partnership with FQHCs
 - Enhancing access to clinical learning opportunities in the FQHCs
 - Facilitating FQHCs and look alike to be more receptive of nurse managed primary care enterprises



- Rec. Establish priorities for primary care education funding in Michigan
 - Establish a separate line of Graduate Nursing Education funding (GNE)
 - Expand current Nurse Traineeship funding
 - total amount of funding
 - eligibility guidelines



- Rec. Establish priorities for primary care education funding
 - Support to develop a stable cohort of well prepared faculty
 - Support for doctoral preparation
 - Academic salary differentials
 - Opportunities for continuing in primary care practice while in faculty position



- Rec: Teaching systems of graduates and Michigan retention
 - MI Colleges of Nursing already recruit a preponderance of MI residents into their programs
 - NP students tend to already be aligned to a health care system through RN employment



- Rec: Develop funding sources for loan forgiveness for service
 - NHSC
 - Agency based
 - Michigan Nurse Corps Model