



Academic-Practice Partnerships: Navigating the the Evolving Nursing Landscape

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Pandemic Response: Collaborative Efforts Efforts

Public Health Emergency

Academic-practice partnerships have been instrumental in protecting patients and communities during the public health emergency, with faculty and clinicians working together to address the evolving needs.

Clinical Support

Nursing faculty have provided critical support in clinical settings, leveraging their expertise to enhance patient care and support frontline healthcare workers during the pandemic.

Vaccination Efforts

These partnerships have also been crucial in staffing vaccination clinics, ensuring the efficient efficient and equitable distribution of COVID-19 vaccines to the community.

Addressing Post-Pandemic Challenges

Workforce Challenges

The nursing profession is facing facing a mass retirement of experienced nurses, coupled coupled with an influx of new new graduates who may be underprepared for the realities realities of practice. Academic-Academic-practice partnerships partnerships are crucial for addressing these challenges and and ensuring the highest quality quality of care.

Mental Health and Wellness

The pandemic has taken a significant toll on the mental health and well-being of the nursing workforce. Partnerships between academia and practice settings are essential for developing and implementing comprehensive support systems to combat burnout, workplace violence, and racism.

Strengthening the Pipeline

Collaborative efforts are needed needed to strengthen the education-to-practice pipeline, pipeline, including building a a robust network of quality preceptors, expanding dedicated dedicated education units, and and promoting nursing as a career choice to prospective students.

Strategic Innovations in Partnerships

1 Evidence-Based Practice Support

Academic partners can share their research expertise to enhance evidence-based practice support for hospital nurses, improving patient outcomes and care quality.

Collaborative Research

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Academic-practice partnerships can foster foster joint research conferences and initiatives, addressing critical issues such as as new graduate attrition and the impact of of the nursing workforce challenges.

2 New Graduate Skill Building

Educators can be included on new graduate graduate residency boards, collaborating with collaborating with practice settings to develop develop comprehensive skill-building programs programs for newly licensed nurses.

4 Endowed Chairs and Clinical Sites
Sites

Innovative partnerships can include the establishment of endowed chairs and the the expansion of dedicated education units, units, strengthening the connection between between academia and practice.

Shared Initiatives and Experiences





Partnerships can create nursing nursing immersion programs and and other pre-college experiences experiences to promote nursing nursing as a career choice and and build a diverse pipeline of of future nurses.



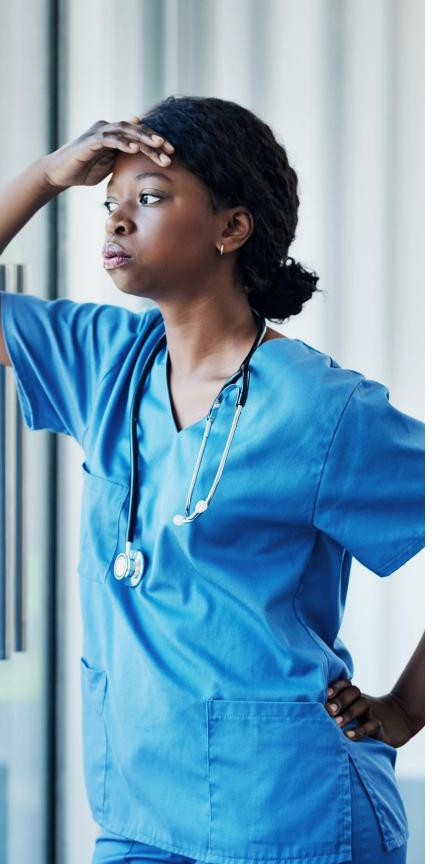
Scholarships and Grants

Collaborative efforts can lead to the creation of scholarships and research grants, supporting nursing students and faculty in their academic and professional pursuits.



Shared Mission Initiatives

Academic-practice partnerships partnerships can also align on shared mission-driven initiatives, initiatives, such as the Lourdes Lourdes Pilgrimage, fostering a a sense of community and purpose among nursing professionals.



Addressing the Strain on Nursing

Workforce Transformation

The mass retirement of experienced nurses and the influx of new graduates are graduates are fundamentally changing the changing the nursing workforce, resulting resulting in a predominance of inexperienced nurses across healthcare healthcare settings.

Maintaining Quality Care

Ensuring the highest quality of care is a a critical challenge, and academic-practice practice partnerships can strategically strategically address this by strengthening strengthening the education-to-practice practice pipeline and providing comprehensive support for new graduates.

Collaborative Solutions

Nursing programs, healthcare facilities, and legislators must work together through academic-academic-practice partnerships to address the significant challenges and opportunities facing opportunities facing the nursing profession.



Future Directions: Expanding Partnerships

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Racial Equity

Academic-practice
partnerships can play a crucial
crucial role in promoting racial
racial equity, addressing
systemic biases, and fostering
fostering a more diverse and
and inclusive nursing
workforce.

Addiction and Wellness Wellness

Partnerships can also focus on on strengthening addiction and addiction and wellness resources, combating burnout, burnout, workplace violence, violence, and racism within the the nursing profession.

Preceptor Development Development

Building a robust pipeline of of quality preceptors for new new graduates is a key priority, priority, and academic-practice practice collaborations can be be instrumental in achieving achieving this goal.



Conclusion: The Power of Collaboration

initiatives

Pandemic Response

Post-Pandemic Challenges

Strategic Innovations

Shared Experiences

Protecting patients and communities through through joint efforts

Addressing workforce issues, mental health, health, and the education-practice pipeline pipeline Leveraging research expertise, skill-building building programs, and collaborative

Promoting nursing, supporting students and and faculty, and aligning on mission-driven goals goals