Sisterhood Mid-Year Report – Creating an Online State Registered Nurse Aide (SRNA) Program

Since being awarded $6,600 from the WKU Sisterhood we have been busy creating our own State Registered Nurse Aide Program that will be housed on WKU's Blackboard. Below is a description of what we have accomplished thus far!

SRNA Skills Videos:

In January, we began advertising for a student videographer who would be interested in filming the required SRNA skills videos. We worked with the WKU Photojournalism Department to promote the opportunity to the students. In total, we had five students apply for the opportunity. After reviewing their portfolios, we selected senior photojournalism student Tyger Williams.

During this time, we also recruited former SRNA students to be the actors in the videos. We recruited Cierra Woodcock, a WKU pre-medicine student and Ryan Skinner, a WKU nursing student. Both students participated in the January 2019 SRNA program.

Cierra was filmed on Thursday, March 7 and Ryan was filmed on Friday, March 15. Lori Fox, WKU School of Nursing faculty member, provided the voiceover for the films. As our state approved course instructor, Lori also ensured that the students were demonstrating the skills correctly. In total there were 28 videos ranging from 2 minutes to 18 minutes in length.

Cierra and Ryan were paid $12 per hour and Lori was paid $50 per hour for making the films. Cierra worked four hours ($48), Ryan worked 3 hours ($36), and Lori worked 8 hours ($400 + $152 in fringes). Tyger will be awarded a $1,000 scholarship when the videos are complete. The scholarship has been developed and the required WKU Financial Aid paperwork has been completed.

As of the first week in April, we are in the final stages of editing the videos with Tyger. Below are several examples of completed videos. We ask that you do not post these videos on any website as they will be part of our course.

- Clearing the Obstructed Airway – The Conscious Adult: https://youtu.be/vtMDtYDfUBU
- Measuring and Recording Vitals: https://youtu.be/rSLvOsiciWU

SRNA Didactic Content:

The SRNA course must include a minimum of 59 didactic hours. The state provides detailed guidelines on the minimum number of hours that are to be spent on each topic. To meet the 59 hours of didactic content, we have elected to use the pre-designed PowerPoint presentations from the state required textbook. Our content experts are then recording a lecture about the

information presented in the PowerPoints. The lectures are being recorded with Mediasite, which is Blackboard's preferred platform for this type of presentation.

We have hired Lori Fox and Matt Garvey as our content experts. Both Matt and Lori are state approved course instructors and have divided the lectures between themselves. They have both been hired on at $50 per hour and have each agreed to dedicate roughly 30 hours to the creation of the presentations. Both will be paid at the end of May when they submit their lectures.

State Approval:

All new SRNA programs need to be approved by the State Medicaid Office. We have been in contact with this office about what we will need to submit for them to review. We will submit our content at the beginning of May for approval by the end of May. After discussions with the state office, we do not foresee any challenges in getting state approval.

The Blackboard Site:

The shell of the Blackboard site has been created and is ready for the lectures and videos to be added. We are working with WKU IT to upload the videos and incorporate the presentations.