

Workforce and National Trends

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Behavioral Health Workforce Development (WICHE)

- WICHE Mental Health Program for mental health workforce development activities for the West (rural and frontier)
- Annapolis Coalition – improving mental health workforce
- Technical Assistance
- Student Exchange Program
- Distance Education
- Area Health Education Center (AHEC)

Need for PMHNPs

- Children and adolescents
- Adults
- Returning soldiers and veterans
- Native Americans
- Homeless
- Substance abuse
- Serious mentally ill (SMI)

**APNA/ ISPN Joint Task Force on
Implementation of the Consensus
Model for APRN Regulation**

- Adopted by APNA and ISPN Boards as official position
- Focus on FUTURE preparation of PMH APRNs
- 2009 85% new grads were PMHNPs
- Psych-Mental Health now “population focus” rather than “specialty”

Recommendations

- One entry educational focus: PMHNP with preparation across the lifespan
- Current PMH APRNs can practice under current licensure and certification
- Didactic : 3 P’s and PMH specific content (psychotherapeutic modalities: 4th P)
- Entry level competence in psychotherapeutic modalities: prescriptive practice, multiple psychotherapy modalities including group
- <http://www.apna.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=4495>

Recommendations (cont’d)

- Clinical experience to promote integrated & collaborative healthcare
- # clinical hours sufficient for lifespan
- Eligible for certification leading to providing psychiatric mental health services across lifespan
- Reasonable amount of time to successfully initiate and complete the transition is required.
- ISPN and APNA convene coalition on advanced practice education
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2008 NONPF (3rd ed) criteria for evaluating programs- adopted by CCNE & NLN

- <http://nonpf.com/associations/10789/files/NTFEvalCriteria2008Final.pdf>
- Director must be nationally certified in particular NP population focus area of practice in that state
- Each population-focused track must include an identified lead faculty member who has certification in the same population-focused area
- Director of NP program has doctoral level preparation
- NP faculty maintain currency in clinical practice.
- 500 clinical hours, more if lifespan

NONPF PMHNP Competencies 2003

- Multi organization National Panel from 6 national nursing organizations
- Entry level competencies for graduates of masters and post masters programs preparing PMHNPs.
- Build on core competencies for all NPs
- Under revision 2011 by panel

White Paper NONPF Psych Sig 2010

- Faculty Preparation, Faculty Development, and Program Evaluation Criteria for Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Education: A White Paper
- Resource for faculty and directors of PMHNP programs to facilitate congruence with NONPF's Criteria for Evaluation of NP programs
- ISPN, APNA, IntNSA and NONPF joint taskforce

Family PMHNP – lifespan

- Most psychiatric illnesses start in childhood
- Lifespan means following child through adulthood for continuity of care
- Family perspective means system focus of care
- Marketability for job market
- Provide significantly more child providers with a family PMHNP preparation
- Jobs!
