Building the Bridge to Quality in NP Education: The Balanced **Score Card Approach**

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- Mercy-Jesuit Traditions
- Urban Location: Diverse student body
- Health Profession Tracks







Accountability in Health Care

- The Era of Quality and Safety
- Affordable Care Act
- Emphasis on Outcomes
- Stakeholders



Accountability in Nursing Education

- Faculty New MSN Essentials
- Emphasis on APRN provider development
 - Leadership
 - QI capacity
 - Business Competence
 - Optimal Health Outcomes



Curriculum

Quality in Nursing Education

- Perspectives of Outcomes: Program Effectiveness
- Addressed Accreditation Standards
- Curricular
 - Graduation, Certification and Employment rates
 - Student, Alumni and Employer satisfaction

Educational Perception of Quality

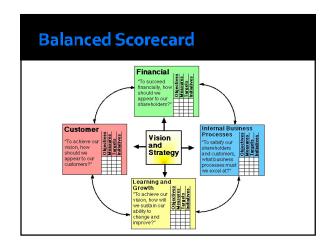
- More focused, less tied to the larger organizational structure of the University
- Faculty and Fiscal Implications/Outcomes
 - Enrollment
 - Revenue
 - Return on Investment

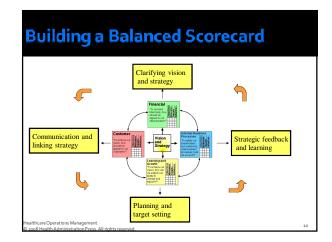
Effectiveness in the Academy

- No preferred methodology to evaluate academic organizational effectiveness
- Porrow from Business and Industry
- Balanced Scorecard (Kaplan & Norton, 1992)

Balanced Scorecard

- Performance management and strategic planning perspective
- Align activities with mission and vision
- Improve internal and external communications
- Monitor organization performance against strategic goals





Goals

- Link strategic goals to measures
- Provide a dashboard of how we are doing in achieving our goals
- Enables NP program focus on performance areas that are necessary in order for the program, SON and University to be successful

Steps in the Process

- Build intraprofessional team
 - Tap PhD and DNP faculty
 - Administrative experience, Clinical Experience
- Identify Stakeholders
 - Students, Colleagues, University
 - Health Care Systems
 - Patient Populations
- Identify Context
 - University Mission and Vision
 - Local Urban Environment

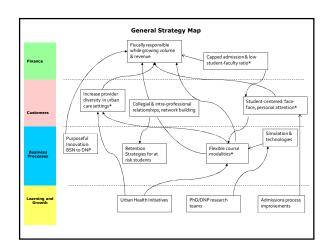


| Sample Improvement Opportunities | |
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| Finance | Balancing capped admission with volume growth |
| Customers | Cultivating excellence in urban care and reducing disparities |
| Business Processes | BSN to DNP without closing MSNAdmission processes |
| Learning & Growth | PhD-DNP research teamsUrban health care delivery |

FNP Internal Processes

- Purposeful innovation
 - BSN-DNP program
 - Re-evaluate mix of on-line course
 - Curricular improvement guided by formative and summative evaluation
- Process Improvement : Operations related to, marketing, recruitment and admission
 - Meetings with key APRN and Executive leaders in organizations
 - Integrate communication mechanisms for admission processes across university
- Process changes related to FNP practicum activities

 - ACE passport process
 Student Evaluation Processes: OSCE, site visits, simulation



Lessons Learned: Outcomes

- Collegiality
- Awareness of Fiscal Targets
- Linkages between Departments
- Visualization of the Relationship between Work, Innovation with Outcomes

Questions?

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