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Community Faculty Practice
New Jersey Children's Health Project
Jordan and Harris Community Health Center

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Two Nurse Managed Projects

- New Jersey Children’s Health Project (NJCHP)
 - Nurse practitioners on a mobile medical unit (MMU)
- Jordan and Harris Community Health Center
 - Community health nursing faculty serving public housing

History of NJCHP

- Initially served 21 unique sites
- Currently serves 3 organizations at 5 unique sites
- Staff of 2 NPs, driver and medical technician
- Provide comprehensive primary care services and episodic care
- Original funding from HRSA
- Current funding from the Children's Health Fund
- Billing for service

Accomplishments

- Difficult to reach populations
- Over 2,000 encounters in 2013
 - Homeless teens
 - Homeless adults
 - Adults and children living in public housing
 - Uninsured

Barriers

- Licensing
- Weather
- Funding
- Staffing
- Internet connectivity (EHR)

Jordan and Harris Community Health Center

- Community empowerment model with community advisory board directing activities
- Started by nursing faculty as a clinical site for community health nursing students
- Developed into full faculty practice site with HRSA funding
 - Community Health RN on site 5 days each week
 - Assessments
 - Health Education
 - Health Promotion
 - Chronic Disease Management
- Community Health Workers
 - Outreach
 - Navigation

Accomplishments

- Reach vulnerable, underserved population
- Community is engaged in all aspects of program development
- Over 10,000 encounters each year between CHWs, staff RN, faculty and interprofessional team of students
- Improved health outcomes
 - Diabetes (blood sugars reduced by an average of 60mg/dl)
 - Hypertension (systolic and diastolic blood pressure reductions average 7mm/hg)

Barriers

- Funding
 - Current funding is from the Healthcare Foundation of New Jersey, the Cummings Foundation and the Hearst Foundation
- Recognition of community health nurse's role in the model
- Public housing

Marriage of two faculty practice projects

- NJCHP serves the Jordan and Harris Community Health Center
- Bring APRN services to public housing developments weekly
- Allows for closely coordinated services for patients receiving care from APRNs on the MMU
- Integration of schools of nursing that are now under Rutgers University has brought additional support of the FOCUS Wellness Center



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