

Program Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda

Dental Health Services

January 15, 2016

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

DH Room 118

Welcome and Introductions –Colleen Bradshaw and Judy McCauley

ITEM 1 *Review of Agenda and Minutes– Sharon Masiarczyk – PAC Chair*

Discussion:

- Introduction of guests, students, faculty/staff

- Sharon Masiarczyk reviewed minutes from May 20, 2014 PAC meeting. Minutes approved
 - A PAC meeting was held on December 5, 2014 with the CODA Accreditation site visitors. No business was discussed- no minutes recorded.

ITEM 2 *Dental Health Services Department – Colleen Bradshaw and Judy McCauley*

Discussion: Accreditation

- Both DA and DH had a positive ADA CODA site visit in December 2014. Both programs received a recommendation to reevaluate the medical emergency protocols for our labs and a recommendation for Dental Assisting to clarify our course sequencing and how that correlates to the student's clinical experience. We are waiting on a report from CODA in regards our response to these recommendations.

Discussion: Medical Emergency Protocol in all clinics

- All faculty/staff/students/ACDRC participants have been updated with the revised medical emergency protocol that has been introduced into our Dental Assisting and Dental Hygiene programs. All students are updated with the protocol each semester with simulations and patient emergency scenarios. Both DA and DH clinics have students check the medical emergency cart, oxygen tank and supplies on a daily basis and dental assisting students have weekly scenario exercises. The medical emergency cart houses pharmaceuticals and an AED.

Discussion: Community Partners and need for out-clinic rotation sites

- The Dental Assisting and Dental Hygiene program have lost rotation sites due to the current restructuring of the Health Department.
- Actions suggested and approved by PAC members:
 1. Sharon Masiarczyk offered to contact Found Care; they have a new director
 2. Requests College exploration of grant opportunities to benefit the Dental Assisting and Dental Hygiene programs.
 3. DA and DH Programs; Exploration opportunities to further partner with Caridad to expand services to meet the need of their clients and our students.
 4. Add Kevin (Judy has his name) to Program Advisory Board.

Discussion: Dental Health Services Professional Development Day

- Event will be held Saturday, April 16, 2016 and an invitation was extended to the whole community. Dr. Paul Klein will be giving a presentation on the topic of medical emergencies in the office. The presentation will consist of a lecture and an interactive component with simulation.

Discussion: Palm Beach State College President

- Ava L. Parker, J.D. took office as our new president on July 1, 2015.

ITEM 3 *Dental Assisting Program Update – Colleen Bradshaw*

Discussion: Dental Assisting Program Update – Highlights of program activities in 2015

- The Dental Assisting program has been extended from a 10-month to an 11-month program due to the new CODA standards which consist of 1230 clock hours for the program.
- The students' externship at the end of the program has been extended into 300 clock hours during the Summer C session since CODA did not recognize the 500 hours that students participate in the Atlantic Coast Dental Research Clinic.
- Financial Aid regulations prohibit students from receiving aid for both credit and clock hours simultaneously. Due to that fact, all DES (articulated courses) have been renamed DEA courses for the dental assisting students so financial aid can now be available to them.
- We have added more Information Sessions from last year as the attendance was outstanding and our applicant numbers have increased. There will be 6 sessions available to prospective students from January 2016 through June 2016 in preparation for our July 1, 2016 application deadline.
- Free Dental Day was held on April 29, 2015 and was a huge success. A total of 45 patients were seen for fillings and/or extractions. We will be having our next Free Dental Day on April 27, 2016 and hope to see 50 patients.
- It was brought to the table that a partnership with the Cosmetology program would be beneficial to the homeless students of Palm Beach State College.

ITEM 4 *Dental Hygiene Program Update – Judy McCauley*

Discussion: Dental Hygiene Program Update – Highlights of program activities in 2015

- The CDCA exam (formerly NERB) continues to be offered at Palm Beach State College. This year our students will be able to take this exam in our clinic on May 12-13. The ADEC/CDCA gives students the opportunity to be licensed in multiple states.
- The Dental Hygiene students participated in Dental Hygiene month by organizing a Dental Health Awareness Day. Palm Beach State Students received dental screenings, fluoride varnish and oral hygiene home care instructions in an effort to bring awareness for oral health and oral hygiene.
- The need for Inter-professional initiatives was discussed; for example, partnerships with other programs such as Nursing could be explored to teach specific disciplines in each other's programs.

ITEM 5 *Action Plan- Goals and Meeting Evaluation – Sharon Masiarczyk- PAC Chair*

Discussion: Action Plan – Goals

- Requests College exploration of grant opportunities to benefit the Dental Assisting and Dental Hygiene programs.
- DA and DH Programs; Exploration opportunities to further partner with Caridad to expand services to meet the need of their clients and our students.
- PAC to assist with identifying externship and /out clinic sites for DA students and employment opportunities for DA and DH graduates.
 - PAC to assist with Employers contacting the Career Center
- Participants completed the PAC meeting evaluation in their packets; those who needed to leave will be e-mailed one to complete.

Submitted by:

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