

**RN-IFCC Meeting**

**March 26, 2015**

**Hosted by: Central Georgia Technical College, Warner Robins Campus**

Members Present:

Albany	Bussey	Schvon	PD
Albany	Ford	Mary	
Albany	darity	Teresa	
Albany	Holloway	Annette	
Athens	Callahan	Lorie	PD
Atlanta Tech	Fells	Geraldine	PD
Atlanta Tech	Carter	Arica	
Atlanta Tech	Webba	Marian	
Atlanta Tech	Anyaehie	Delores	
Augusta	Kandace	Chariff	PD
Central GA Tech	Wilcox	Jessica	PD
Chattahoochee	Howell	Quetina	PD
Columbus	Harris	Lynn	PD
Columbus	Smith	Berthenia	
Columbus	Hinton	Kristin	
Columbus	Lifsey	Sherry	
Georgia Northwestern	Grant	Denise	PD
Georgia Northwestern	Peters	Diane	
Gwinnett Tech	Sheral	Stewart	PD
North GA Tech	Butler	Angela, Dr.	PD
North GA Tech	Shiflet	Melinda	
Southeastern	Anders	Martha	PD
Southern Crescent	Taylor	Veronica	PD
Southern Crescent	Harp	Tanya	
Southwest GA	Bryant	Tammy	PD
Southwest GA	Benton	Athalena	
Southwest GA	Corker	Theresa	
Southwest GA	Grooms	Claudia	
West GA	Kittiko	Winnie	PD
West GA	Brazier	Christina	
Wiregrass	Ridley	Darlene	PD
VPAA	Coleman	Teresa	

**Call to Order:**

- The meeting was called to order at 10:00am in room B-107. Elaine Williams welcomed everyone, introduced the idea of an IFCC.

**Introductions:**

- Programs that have been developed and running for 5+ years: Columbus, SWGTC, and Georgia Northwestern Tech
- Programs that are up for approval: CGTC and Southern Crescent

**IFCC Website:**

- Link: [http://teched.tcsg.edu/aa\\_ifcc.php](http://teched.tcsg.edu/aa_ifcc.php)
- Any curriculum changes please send to Holly Free or Elaine William. If you want to change a pre-req or course name then you will need to submit an information ticket.
- Link for probe notices and information tickets:  
[http://teched.tcsg.edu/aa\\_probe\\_notices\\_info\\_tickets.php](http://teched.tcsg.edu/aa_probe_notices_info_tickets.php)

**Elaine then opened the floor for discussion.**

**Discussion: Simulation**

- Hours/Faculty/When do you use simulation
  - GBON does not have a set requirement or max of hoursFaculty
  - Chattahoochee Tech: has 1 FT and 2 adjunct for simulation, 16 hours of clinical time, and starts simulation in 2<sup>nd</sup> semester
  - Chattahoochee: LPN-RN 1<sup>st</sup> semester all sim
  - Georgia Northwestern: Simulations is used in Skills Lab, scenarios last 3-4 hours, and they do not have a separate simulation faculty
  - North Georgia: Uses simulation for 3 days, small group pre-sim work at home, a dedicated coordinator, start in Med-Surg, do an orientation in Fundamentals
  - South West GA: Start in Fundamentals with assessment and pharmacology, skills and simulations, use the mannequins in skills check-off
  - Columbus: uses simulation as a critical thinking exercise, not as clinical time, they use simulation to evaluate students understanding

**Discussion: GBON**

- Nursing Education Committee has been formed
- Position for Nursing Education Consultant remains vacant

**Discussion: ACEN**

- Curriculum should be 4-5 semesters including pre-reqs

- 60 hours total

#### **Discussion: Capstone testing**

- The group discussed the use of several different testing modalities used as the exit exam. Some colleges used the HESI and Kaplan as their exit exam and others used ATI. Both modalities had their pros and cons.

#### **Discussion: Technology**

- Each college discussed whether they were using just textbooks or a combination of textbooks with e-textbooks too. Most of the group felt that the e-textbooks with all the additional codes was more costly for the students when compared to just the textbooks.

#### **Discussion: Drug Screens & Background Checks**

- All were familiar with the procedure discussed by Stephanie Morrison (TCSG Lawyer) regarding the colleges having no access to the information obtained on these reports. There was agreement from all that we should not have access to this information but that your clinical agencies should check prior to clinical rotations.

#### **Discussion: Admission & readmission criteria**

- The group discussed their admission and readmission criteria for their Nursing Programs. For the most part, all colleges had a similar procedure for both criteria and all used a competency admission process. Some colleges used HESI, ATI, and PSB for their admission tests.

#### **Elections of Officers:**

- State Chair: Lynn Harris
- Vice Chair: Quentina Howell
- Secretary: Claudia Grooms

#### **Next Meeting:**

- Tentative dates were presented
  - 10/8
  - 10/15
  - 10/22