

# Getting Your Chapter to Connect and Collaborate for Membership Recruitment and Engagement



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#### Objectives

- 1. The learners will be able to describe Beta Xi Chapter's strategies to getting chapter members to connect and collaborate for membership recruitment and engagement.
- 2. The learner will be able to formulate a plan to develop strategies that increases chapter member participation and collaboration and improves membership in recruitment and retention.

#### Connect & Collaborate

- A strong foundation for connection and collaboration is having a mission and vision that emphasizes engagement of members to share information and work towards common goals.
- The Beta Xi Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International promotes membership recruitment and engagement through various recruitment and retention strategies, **Annual Membership Appreciation event, and outreach** initiatives that foster connection and collaboration between chapter members.







## Recruitment and Retention Strategies

- Introduce nursing students to the membership benefits of Sigma as soon as they enter the nursing program
- Hold monthly meetings/ events
- Use a monthly online newsletter
- Offer opportunities for members to attend local, regional, and international Sigma conferences
- Offer time for networking at Chapter meetings
- Create a legacy by nominating members for awards



## Membership Appreciation

- A way to celebrate chapter members
- Collaborates with the Nursing Alumni Network
- Provides opportunities for members to:
  - Bring together alumni and chapter members
  - Form and reignite relationships
  - Offer appreciation
  - Embrace the spirit of giving
- Themes that support the Sigma mission and vision
- Members are asked to bring personal hygiene items for a donation to the Newark Empowerment Center

#### Outreach Initiatives

- Support the Special Olympics each year offering sun safety education
- Provide student scholarships each year
- Support the Newark Empowerment Center
- Sponsor a holiday outreach party for chronically mentally ill adults
- Collect books for Uganda
  - Members gathered new or gently used nursing textbooks to send to Uganda





