

# The Direct Impact of a Nurse Residency Program and Palliative Care and Research Fellowships

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### Learner Objectives



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The participant can share examples of the dissemination of evidence based practice (EBP) as a result of targeted and formal staff education and fellowships. The participant will be able to share specific outcomes related to the programs implemented at this Healthcare System that support a return on investment.



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- Bryn Mawr Rehabilitation Hospital
- Main Line HomeCare & Hospice

Magnet System Re-Designation Visit September 2019







# Main Line Health Nurse Residency and Fellowships

#### Nurse Residency Program

- Started in 2008
- Outcomes:

   Increase in support
   for new to practice
   RNs, increased
   knowledge and
   application of EBP

#### Nursing Research Fellowship

- Started in 2011
- Outcomes:

   Increase in nurses'
   knowledge and
   ability and impact
   on EBP

   Dissemination

## Nursing Palliative Care Fellowship

- Enhanced in 2016
- Outcomes:

   Increase in nurses'
   knowledge and
   comfort level and
   an increased
   dissemination of

## Nurse Residency Program

# Nurse Residency Program Structure and Process

#### Structured purchased model

Groups cohorted throughout the year for 6 full educational days

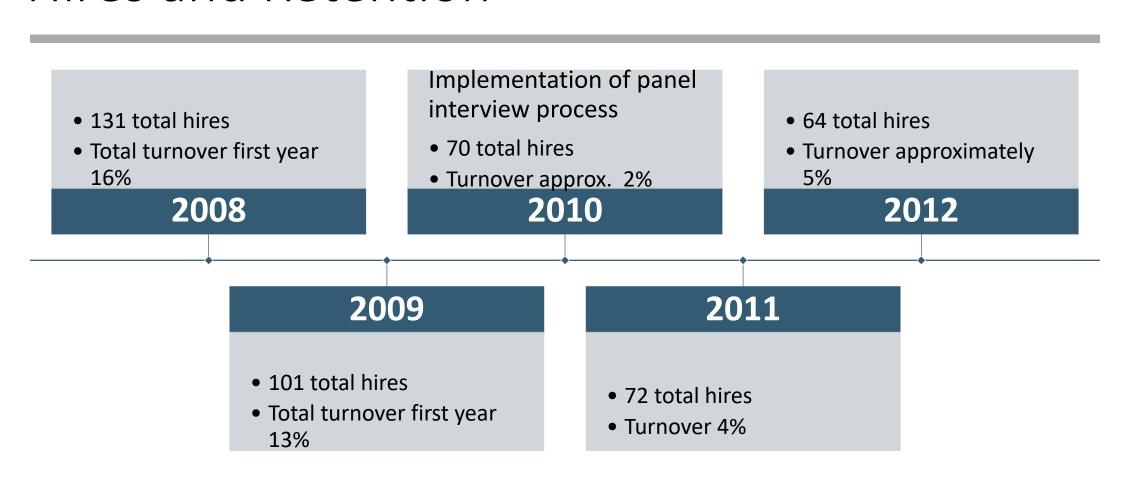
#### Curriculum focused on

- Support
- Professional Satisfaction
- Organizing / Prioritizing
- Communication/Leadership

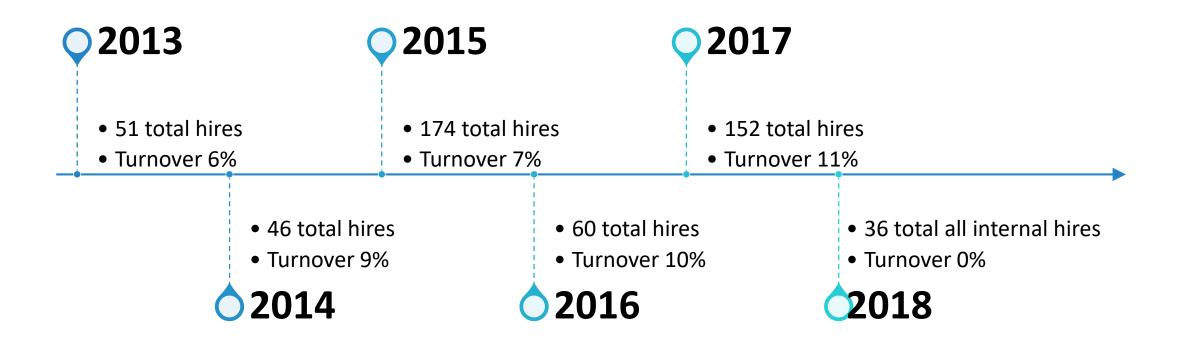
#### **Program Requirements**

- Completed EBP Project
- Career Development Plan

# Nurse Residency Program Hires and Retention



# Nurse Residency Program Outcomes: Retention



#### **Examining**

Examining the Impact of a Team Moment of Silence to Honor Patient Death Meghan Sheehan, BNS, RN and Joyce Foresman-Capuzzi, MSN, RN

#### Unveiling

Unveiling The Truth About Human Trafficking; Implementation Of A Training Module To Assess Emergency Department Awareness Steven Donahue, MS, BSN, RN; Danielle LaVallee, BSN, RN; Michael Schwien, BS, BSN, RN

Screening tool requested for purchase by Sigma Theta Tau, presentations given locally, regionally and nationally. Currently collaborating with Geisinger Health, PA Office of Rural Health and the Emergency Nurse's Association to create a web series or training for healthcare organizations locally and nationally

#### Enhancing

Enhancing Communication About Medications in Older Adults-system-wide education

Chelsea Benvenuto, Haley Chaump, Tamara Dabady, Brittany Lord, Brooke Steffy, Alyssa Walsh

# Nurse Residency Program Outcomes: EBP Dissemination

## Nurse Residency Outcomes: Testimonials



#### **Nurse Residents**

"Made me feel as though I was part of a community and not alone. Opened my eyes to the world of evidence based practice and its positive effect on patients and your professional development."

"It helped to broaden my abilities as a nurse. Through the EBP project, I am now utilizing more non-pharmacological measures to help improve overall patient care."

"Nurse residency has shown me to keep learning and trying..."



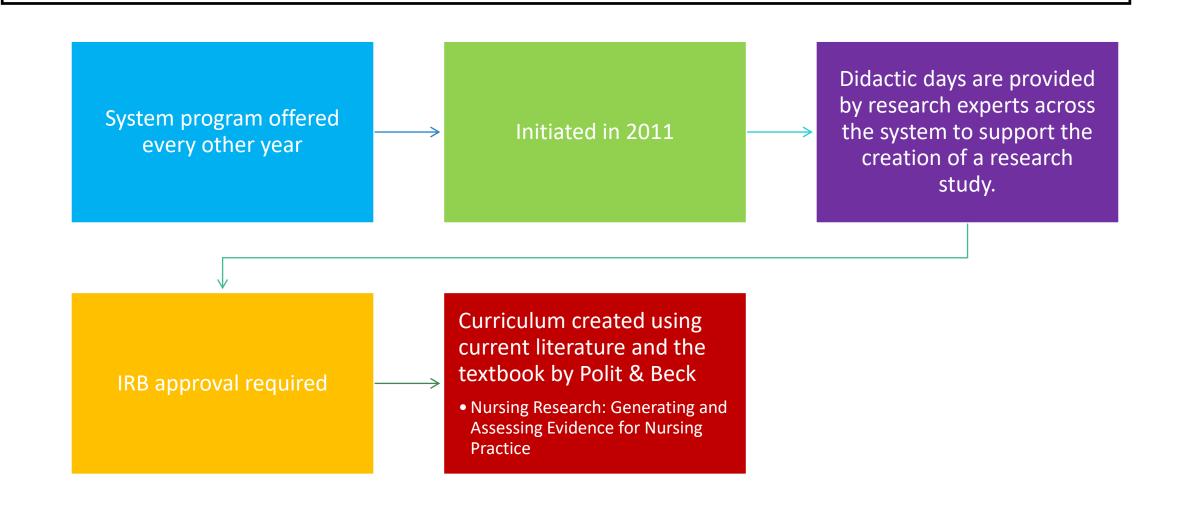
#### Leaders

"Primary benefit of the program was having an engaged, passionate, goal oriented, resident who brings new energy to the unit."

"We've had a big culture shift as far as professionalism and accountability. The bar has been raised. The expectations are great."

## Nursing Research Fellowship

## Nursing Research Structure and Process



System implementation of Nonpharmacologic Measures to Assist with the Prevention of Delirium

Sue Molitoris, BSN, RN, CCRN

Ambulation and Its Effect on Agitation

Julie Andraca, BSN,RN, PCCN, Bobette Burdenski, BSN, RN, PCCN and Jennifer Kohler, MSN, PCCN Perceptions of Nurses Caring for Their Children with Chronic Health Conditions and Their Interactions with Healthcare Providers

> Shannon Rutberg, RN, MSN

Comparison of Incidence of Pressure Ulcer Data in an Acute Rehabilitation Setting Before and After the Initiation of Automatic Consults

Susan Decker, BSN, CWOCN, CCRN, WOCN

# Nursing Research Outcomes: Research Dissemination

# Palliative Care Nursing Fellowship

## Palliative Care Fellowship Structure and Process

System program offered annually based on need

Enhanced and expanded in 2016

Didactic days provided by leaders across the system to support the creation of an evidence based practice project.

#### Curriculum focused on

- National Consensus Project (2013). Clinical practice guidelines for quality palliative care (3 ed.
- Institute of Medicine (2014). Dying in America: Improving quality and honoring individual preferences near the end of life.
- Center to Advance Palliative Care (CAPC) modules
- End of Life Care (ELNEC) Curriculum

## Program Outcomes: Instrument and Analysis



## Powazki et al Survey Tool specific to Palliative Care

Capability / Knowledge Questions (9)
Comfort Questions (11)



#### **Statistical Analysis**

Means, standard deviations and one tailed *t* tests

Stata Software Version 10 used

2017
Achievement
of Objectives

Upon program graduation, the organization increased the existing 15 graduates from prior programs to a total of 35

Based on statistical significance of the data, the PCF did experience an increase in knowledge and comfort

- There is a significant difference in the mean score pre and post intervention for all domains:
  - Patient and Family Centered Communication  $(t_{41.862} = -5.824, p < .05)$ 
    - The mean difference in domain score was 9.050 higher post-intervention
  - Cultural and Ethical Values (CEV) (t<sub>33,729</sub> = -5.366, p<.05)</li>
    - The mean difference in domain score was 6.360 higher post-intervention
  - Effective Care Delivery (ECD) (t<sub>38,700</sub> = -6.034, p<.05)</li>
    - The mean difference in domain score was 7.470 higher post-intervention



#### • Since 2017

- 40 bedside staff members have completed the program
- > 90% achieved specialty nursing certification in either Pain Management or Hospice/Palliative Care
- 35 EBP projects have been completed

#### Certification Outcomes

# Palliative Care Fellowship Outcomes: Research Dissemination

Knowledge and Attitudes
Towards Palliative and Hospice
Care by Adam Mullaly

- AARC convention poster presentation in November
- Implementation of education within the Respiratory Therapy department orientation

Mindfulness Education and Its Impact on Compassion Fatigue and Resilience by Karen Whittington

- Poster presentation at the PSNA Nursing Summit September 2019
- Current MLH initiative

# Palliative Care Fellowship Outcomes: Testimonials

"The palliative care fellowship was a great source of learning, compassion, strength, and camaraderie for me as a nurse. I felt empowered after each didactic day and meeting...It was especially meaningful to share this experience with my peers all throughout our healthcare system."

"The fellowship has afforded me the opportunity to glean many new clinical skills and practical knowledge, but far more valuable than that are the lessons I have learned about the depth of the human experience and how varied and meaningful it is along the way."

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