An Interprofessional Clinical Integrations Pilot Program: Integrating Third-Year PharmD Students into Family Medicine Clinics

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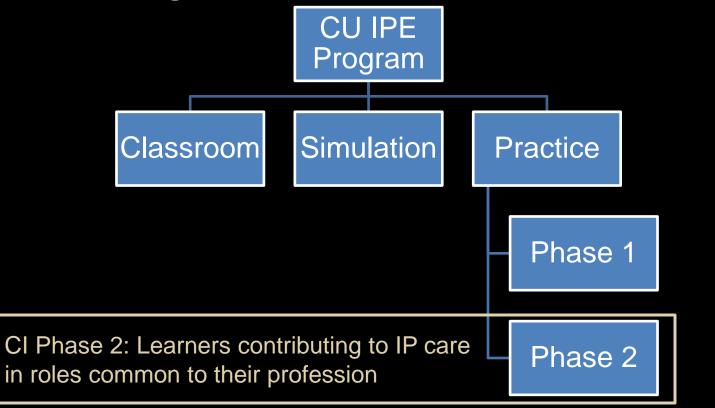


Objectives

- 1. Describe the University of Colorado Clinical Integrations Program Vision
- 2. Describe the CU School of Pharmacy Clinical Integrations Pilot
 - » Create value-added student placements in interprofessional settings
 - » Optimize student placements for a win-win for both school and clinic
 - » Evaluate success of the first pilot



CU IPE Program: New Focus on Clinical IPE





Clinical Integrations: School of Pharmacy CI Phase 2 Pilot

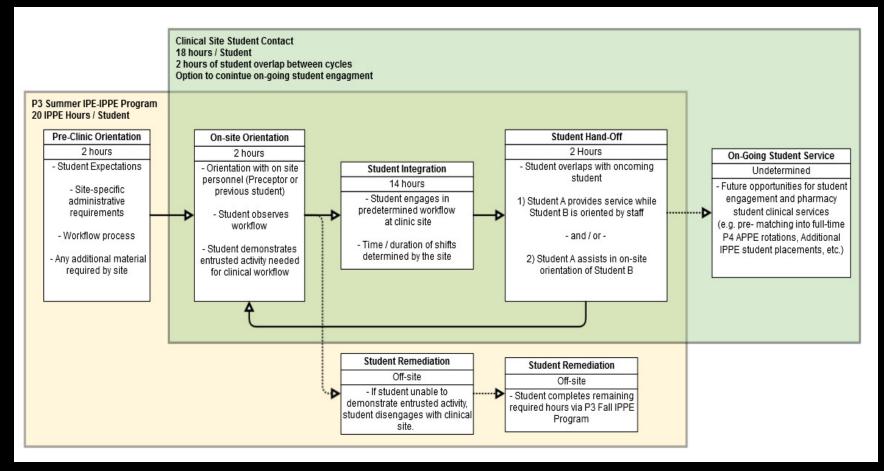
- History:
 - » CU SOP has placed students into primary care settings intentionally to learn from primary care providers since 2002¹
 - » Colorado statues changed to allow non-pharmacist providers to supervise pharmacy interns in clinical work





¹Nuffer W. et al. Am J Pharm Educ 2015;79(5):62

The Pitch



The IP Team

- Salud Family Health Center Commerce City, Colorado
 - » IP Primary Care Team Preceptors
 - Physicians
 - Nurse Practitioners
 - Physician Assistants
 - Clinical Pharmacist (Non-precepting role)
 - » 21 Students:
 - Summer between 2nd and 3rd year students

SOP Student Roles and Interactions

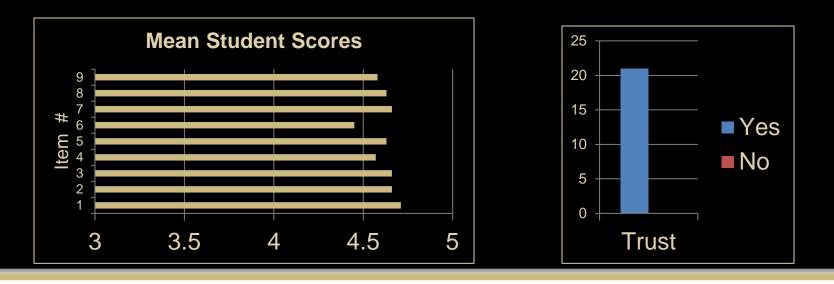
- Methods: IP Preceptor Debrief
 - » What roles did students have that were valuable to you?
 - Gathering HPI at start of visit
 - Conducting medication reconciliation
 - Identifying routine vaccinations needs
 - Counseling parents during wellness checks regarding OTC products (pediatric dosing)
 - Researching drug/dose information when creating plans
 - Following-up on prior authorization requests



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Student Performance

- 9-item assessment with 5-point scale
- I global assessment item with Yes / No Response "I would trust this individual to be on an interprofessional team"





Student Evaluation of Experience

- Overall incredibly positive:
 - » 100% of participating students agreed, he/she...
 - would recommend the experience to peers
 - felt they contributed directly to improved patient care
 - felt encouraged by their provider preceptor
 - participated in direct-patient care discussions with providers
 - described the provider preceptor as invested in the education of pharmacy students



Student Reported Data Upon Completion

Patient engagement

	Student Mean	Range	Program Cumulative Total
No. of patients seen	20.6	10 – 26	est. 450

Student confidence in working with an IP Team

	Start	End		
Mean level of confidence	2.38	3.27		
Retrospective pre-post assessment using a 4-point scale				



Conclusion

- We learned:
 - » Creating shared expectations across students and providers resulted in:
 - Increasing patient care opportunities for students
 - Increasing value of the student
 - Maintaining sustainability and consistency of the experience throughout the pilot
 - » Providers trust students as IP team members

