

FROM NURSING TO MENTAL HEALTH NURSING:

TRANSFORMATION WITH LESSONS LEARNED

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OBJECTIVES

- Understand the various programs offered across Canada
- Synthesize the priorities identified for mental health nursing practice
- Analyze how this innovative certificate program of studies prepares nurses to become mental health nurses

Courses offered across Canada

- Western provinces – degree programs
- Eastern provinces – certificate programs
- Ontario – certificate programs

Mohawk College certificate program
not offered since 2009



Mental Health Nursing Practice Priorities

Internal reflection

Clinical and theory instructors,
Associate Dean

Focus group

Nursing experts from the field -
Niagara Health System, Hamilton
Health Sciences Corporation,
McMaster School of Nursing, St.
Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton



Mental Health Nursing Practice Priorities

Other Consultations

Centre for Addictions and Mental Health

Curriculum Design Specialist,
Instructional Technologist and
Librarian - Mohawk College



STRUCTURE

- Learning priorities
- Time constraints
- 2 year program
(6 courses, 6 modules each)



PROGRAM CONTENT

Courses

1. Advancements
2. Introspective Practice
3. Health Challenges
4. Whole Person Assessment
5. Interventions Supporting Recovery
6. Operationalizing Theory into Practice



STRENGTHENING BEST PRACTICES

 Clinical BPGs

 Healthy Work Environments BPGs

 In-Progress BPGs



COURSE DELIVERY

BLENDED FORMAT

Online

In class / teleconferencing

SELF – DIRECTED

Resources



STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS

 GENDER

 CAREER STAGES

 RN/RPN

 REGISTRATIONS



STUDENT LOCATION

- BRAMPTON
- BRANTFORD
- CAMPBELLVILLE
- CHATHAM
- ELORA
- GUELPH
- HAMILTON
- MISSISSAUGA



FEEDBACK

 STUDENT EVALUATION

 MENTAL HEALTH AGENCY

 FOCUS GROUP



FUTURE DIRECTION

- Dynamic - fluid to current update
- Inter- professional learning
- Building blocks – additional depth
- Video chats
- Guest speakers – live
- Field experts presentations- recorded.



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QUESTIONS ??



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