Medical Assisting Advisory Board

October 20, 2021

6PM via Zoom

Present: Dee Loucks, Faith Bentley, Amy Murray, Kathy Stuut, Cindy Welch, Lindsey Harvey, Dr. Ku, Erin Dimond, Sarah Aviles, Carrie Conroy, Ken Brink, Ana Abendschein, Kindy Johnson	DISCUSSION/ACTION
Welcome and Introduction	Happy Medical Assistant Recognition Week! a. Bronson celebrated with little gifts and recognition on boards around the facilities.
2. Sharing News and Knowledge	 a. Dee asked the group to share perspective as a result of 1-1/2 panademic circumstances. a. Hiring bonuses have been an issue for existing employees. b. Many students are bypassing the program and taking the test. c. Local employers are wanting to offer apprenticeship programs. d. Many are struggling with attrition due to the vaccine mandates. e. Dr. Ku shared that employee burn-out is a real issue. i. He suggested that changing the tasks that CNA perform should happen. (reduce clerical work.) f. Certification continues to be an issue. There is no real incentive for students-employer recognition, pay increase, Bronson and Borgess do not require certification. i. Having a license is significant to our hospital employers.

3. Program Goals and Learning Objectives	 a. Dee shared a Powerpoint with this information. This is included as an attachment. b. Dee asked the group to share feedback on necessary changes to program. a. Dee asked the group what they thought of KVCC adding a Hybrid Program. b. Apprenticeship Program.
4. Annual Report and Outcomes	a. Enrollment Numbers b. Completion Rates c. Outcome Attainment – depends on the program
5. Other Assessment Results	a. N/A
6. Program Changes	a. N/A
7. Strengths and Weaknesses	 a. Strengths: i. Great outcomes. ii. Solid and seasoned instructors that are currently employed in the field. iii. Communication (Amy Murray is a huge asset to this accomplishment) iv. Reputable program v. Great rapport with the medical community.
	b. Weaknesses i. 4 days per week on campus ii. Interview techniques iii. Student population (larger numbers) iv. Visibility as a program v. Clinicals (students not prepared)
8. Feedback/communication from members:	a. Satisfaction with student placementsb. Satisfaction with skill level of graduates that have been hired

	c. Are there gaps in skills that our students present with d. Are there gaps in the skills that our students learn e. Suggestions for improving student/graduate success
9. Next Meeting:	April 27, 2022

