

# WCMEW

Wisconsin Council on Medical Education and Workforce

## May 2022 Newsletter

### **2022 SUMMIT – SAVE THE DATE!**

The **2022 Wisconsin Healthcare Workforce Summit** will be held on **Thursday, October 13, 8am – 3pm** at the **Chula Vista Resort in Wisconsin Dells**. “*Getting Real About Our Impending Workforce Crisis*” will feature current workforce issues and innovations in healthcare education and training in Wisconsin. Previous Summits have drawn over 100 attendees, and this year’s event will feature even more opportunities to engage, strategize, and learn.

**STAY TUNED FOR MORE DETAILS!** A **save-the-date** and **call for presentations** flyer will be available soon.

### **WCMEW-UW CIPE JOINT TASK FORCE MEETING**

The second meeting of the WCMEW-UW CIPE joint task force was held on May 3. Discussion focused on the content and distribution of a survey to be sent to schools, clinical sites, preceptors, and students regarding interprofessional training taking place in Wisconsin. The Task Force reviewed an initial draft of the survey. It includes the following components:

- **Clinical Training Sites: Workplace Assessment Tool for Interprofessional Collaboration (WATIC)** - Specifically, the tool measures communication, collaboration, roles and responsibilities, a collaborative patient-centered approach to care, conflict management/resolution, and team functioning.
- **Educational Organizations: IPE Situational Analysis Survey** – this survey is meant to gain an understanding of the status of interprofessional education at colleges and universities.
- **Students:** readiness for IP Collaborative Practice
- **Recent graduates practicing in Wisconsin:** Modified-WATIC

The survey is scheduled for distribution in late June. More details to follow.

### **WCMEW WORKFORCE STRATEGIC PLANNING**

The initial meeting of WCMEW’s Workforce Strategic Planning Task Force was held on May 12. Members reviewed the draft mission and vision statement for the plan,



and discussed strategies for implementation. The Task Force agreed on five major goals:

- Promote Healthcare Careers And Recruit Healthcare Professionals
- Invest in Our Workforce Pipeline
- Retain Workers
- Create Awareness and Engage Other Stakeholders
- Sustain Efforts Over the Long Term

The Task Force also discussed possible strategies to achieve each goal. Meeting materials can be found [here](#). Future meetings will focus on more detailed action steps.

## **UW ICEP LEADERSHIP MEETING**

The UW Interprofessional Continuing Education Partnership (UW ICEP) held its leadership committee meeting on May 19. George Quinn shared the initial phases of WCMEW's workforce strategic planning (link to the presentation can be found [here](#)). The discussion that followed focused on anticipated professional development and continuing education needs of Wisconsin's health care professionals.

ICEP has many programs for continuing professional development, including, for example, a preceptor training program. ICEP leadership expressed interest in working together with WCMEW as it proceeds with its workforce strategic planning.

Updates on this collaboration will be provide in future newsletters.

## **WORKFORCE IN THE NEWS**

### **[How SORH Can Support CMS Section 131 \(GME "Reset"\)](#) – NOSORH**

The Center for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS) has authorized [Section 131](#), which provides a "reset" of residency slots in some rural and urban hospitals. The [Rural GME](#) has analyzed, by state, which hospitals are possibly leaving money on the table! Hospitals have until July 1, 2022, to correct any inaccuracies in the data with their [Medicare Administrative Contractor \(MAC\)](#). Please reach out to [WCRGME](#) with any questions about section 131.

### **[WisCaregiver careers program receives \\$6 million to aid healthcare worker shortage](#) – WEAU News**

Six million dollars has gone into helping address Wisconsin's healthcare workforce shortage. The Wisconsin Department of Health Services and Governor Tony Evers are investing to expand the WisCaregiver Careers workforce development program. This program was launched to help address the shortage of Certified Nursing Assistants in Wisconsin nursing homes.