JERSEY CITY MEDICAL CENTER
Nursing Leadership Academy Handbook

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NURSING LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

HISTORY:

The Nursing Leadership Academy was established in 2013 with the goal of providing professional development opportunities to Jersey City Medical Center's existing and emerging leaders.

TARGET POPULATION:

The Nursing Leadership Academy welcomes nursing leaders from Education & Staff Development, Advanced Practice Nurses, Patient Care Coordinators, Clinical Managers, Directors and more.
The development of the Nursing Leadership Academy followed The Nursing Process:

**ASSESSMENT:**

All members of the JCMC Nursing Leadership Academy are encouraged to complete a Prophecy Assessment.

**What is a Prophecy assessment?**

Prophecy Healthcare Inc. provides online validated competency testing. This testing assesses clinical hard skills, personality attributes, and desired soft skills. A detailed Leadership report is generated once testing is complete, identifying areas of strength and weakness.

These assessment results should be shared with the nurse leader and supervisor to promote discussion and professional development planning.

Please contact System Administrator: Nicole Sardinas at x2703 if you are interested in taking an assessment.
INTERVENTION:

**Advisory Board**

As the demands and complexity of today’s health care environment change, there is an increased need to broaden the leadership expertise of leaders within our organization. In response to this need the Nursing Leadership Academy has partnered with the Advisory Board Talent Development Company. Through intensive workshops leaders will be educated about the issues and challenges confronting healthcare and develop the critical skills, knowledge, and perspective required to act as a successful peer advocate, organizational representative and change leader.

Workshops Dates:

May 29th, 2013—Leadership + Vision  
November 12th, 2013—Teamwork  
December 12th, 2013—Service Excellence  
March 28th, 2014—Quest for Quality  
May 22nd, 2014—Instilling Accountability  
July 16th, 2014—Coaching to Full Potential  
November 20th, 2014—Developing Emerging Leaders

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INTERVENTION CON’T:

Nursing Differentiated Practice—Leadership Ladder

As of 2014, the Nursing Differentiated Practice Program has been expanded to include Nurse Leaders. This program provides a structure for the development of clinical excellence in patient care based on increasing expertise in the following areas:

- Professional Development
- Clinical expertise
- Community Involvement
- Leadership

The goal of this program is to recognize and reward professional nurses who develop clinical excellence, encourage professional growth, provide exceptional patient care, enhance recruitment and retention of nurses, and enhance patient satisfaction.

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INTERVENTION CON’T:

**Strategic Planning**

All Nurse Leaders are encouraged to join a Strategic Planning Track and each leader should be assigned to a tactic(s).

The tracks are as follows:
- Leadership
- Patient Centered Care Delivery
- Communication
- Quality

If you have not been assigned to a Strategic Planning Track, please contact your Director.

**IHI Open School**

The IHI Open School is an on-line quality and safety curriculum. New Jersey Hospital Association is providing free access now through **August 31st, 2014**. Contact hours are available. Leadership lessons include:

- Taking the Leadership Stance
- The Leadership Stance is Not a Pose
- Influence, Persuasion, and Leadership
- Measuring Leadership

To register visit: [www.IHI.org](http://www.IHI.org)

Once you reach “Your Organization” select:
New Jersey Hospital Association
The Nursing Leadership Journal Club is used as an open forum for nursing leaders to meet and critically evaluate nursing literature. This journal club provides an opportunity for nurses in a variety of leadership roles to collaborate and discuss how nursing literature and research can be translated to clinical practice, education, administration, and research.

Occurs the 3rd Friday of every month at 10am in CR 6.

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Advisory Board/ Harvard Manager Mentor PLUS

A wide variety of independent study modules are available through The Advisory Board Talent Development Company & Harvard Mentor PLUS to supplement the Talent Development workshop curriculum.

To register visit: Advisory.com

Once you reach “Your Organization” select:
Jersey City Medical Center

A Tutorial Guide is available by request to:
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INTERVENTION CON’T:

Members of the Nursing Leadership Academy are expected to be an active member in a nursing council and an inter-professional committee.

Nursing Councils:

All five nursing councils meet the *first Wednesday* of every month.

- Staff Satisfaction & Retention Council: 6:15am-7am CR 8
- Quality & Safety Council 9am-10am CR5
- Patient Engagement Council 10:15am-11:45am CR 5
- Nursing research & EBP Council 12:30pm-1:30pm 6W CR
- Professional Practice Council 2pm-3pm CR 5

Inter-professional Committees:

The following are just a few of the existing inter-professional committees here at Jersey City Medical Center:

- Clinical Value Analysis
- TeamSTEPPS
- Core Measures Committees
- Infection Control
- Critical Care Committee
- Perinatal Committee
- Trauma Committee
- Baby Friendly Committee
EXTERNAL RESOURCES:

Member of the Nursing Leadership Academy are encouraged to join the following professional organizations:

**American Association of Colleges of Nursing—AACN**

The AACN influences the nursing profession to improve health care; and promotes public support for professional nursing education, research, and practice. AACN services include:

- Government Advocacy
- Research & Data Services
- Conferences & Webinars
- Various certifications

To learn more visit: www.aacn.nche.edu

**Association for Nursing Professional Development—ANPD**

The ANPD’s goal is to foster the acquisition and application of data-driven practices for the betterment of the NPD specialty. The ANPD focuses on providing the education, tools and resources to advance the ongoing professional and career development of its members.

To learn more visit: www.anpd.org
EXTERNAL RESOURCES:

American Organization of Nurse Executives—AONE

The AONE addresses issues related to the nursing leadership profession and provides educational programs and resources designed to assist nurse leaders in their professional development. Educational opportunities include:

- Executive Nursing Practice certification
- Nurse Manager & Leader certification
- Essentials of a Nurse Manager Orientation

To learn more visit: www.aone.org

New Jersey Hospital Association—NJHA

The NJHA is a not-for-profit trade organization that delivers support and services to the state’s hospitals. NJHA provides leadership in advocacy, policy analysis, quality & financial data, education and community outreach.

To learn more visit: www.njhs.com
DESIRED OUTCOMES:

The following are desired outcomes for members of the Nursing Leadership Academy:

- Obtain BSN within 2 years of leadership position.
- Enroll in MSN program within 1 year of leadership position, for those with a BSN.
- Obtain specialty certification within 1 year of leadership position.
- The nurse leader, if/when eligible will sit for one of the following certifications:
  - Nurse Executive
  - Executive Nursing Practice
  - Nurse Manager & Leader
- Enroll in Nursing Differentiated Practice—Leadership ladder after 1 year in leadership position.
- Become an active member of a nursing council.
- Become an active member of an inter-professional committee.