



CIP INFORMATION

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What is CIP?



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CIP is an acronym used to describe a pilot partner online centralized clinical placement system using a software called StudentMax. The StudentMax system/website is used to *efficiently* schedule and place nursing students at healthcare sites for clinical experiences in the Central Illinois Region. Pilot partners include schools of nursing and Acute Care Centers from: Bloomington/Normal, Decatur, Jacksonville, Pontiac & Springfield.

CIP Background Statement

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CIP is a grant-funded initiative that evolved out of CIRCLE (Central Illinois Regional Collaborative Effort) to become a collaborative nursing workforce initiative for an online system to schedule nursing students at healthcare sites for clinical experiences.

The purpose of the system is to make clinical online scheduling in Central Illinois schools of nursing and clinical sites as efficient as possible, and begin a collaborative pilot process.

Sixteen (16) Pilot Partners (both education & clinical) from over a dozen Central Illinois schools of nursing and clinical sites spearheaded this project by implementing their ideas and learning StudentMAX's functionality.

The pilot partners determined their goals for the online scheduling system to be: (1.) to maximize clinical placement site usage; (2.) to add to student experiences; and, (3.) to make informed decisions about the benefits of online scheduling.



Potential Benefits of Online Clinical Scheduling:

- ➔ Improves Efficiency . . . could replace traditional scheduling done via meetings or emails.
- ➔ Promotes standardized processes
- ➔ Increases regional collaboration with diverse partnerships
- ➔ Adds capacity for educating more nurses (Potential new clinical sites)
- ➔ Creates a potential recruitment tool

“Become proactive with an attitude of willingness to learn!”

- Kelli Tillery Hill, VP, Economic Development Council

CIP Timeline



Spring 2008:

- ❑ Webinar from Oregon Center for Nursing was offered in Peoria by the PIN (Partners Investing in Nurses) Program to educate potential pilot partners regarding online clinical nursing scheduling.

Spring 2009:

- ❑ CIP online clinical nursing scheduling demonstration from Oregon Center for Nursing was offered in Normal, IL.

Fall 2009:

- ❑ Onset of CIP (Sept. 9, 2009); system was built and licensed through StudentMax.
- ❑ Collaboration Process:
 - Consultant was hired to promote the Collaborative Process with pilot partners.
 - Regional Coordinators received and input existing Spring 2010 nursing clinicals into CIP.
 - Training commenced for pilot partners.

Spring 2010:

- ❑ Piloting schools and clinical sites are continuing to learn the CIP system.
- ❑ Plan to upload Fall 2010 nursing schedules into CIP during the month of Aug. 2010.
- ❑ Continuing to receive pilot partners' feedback.



If you would like to learn more about the functionality of CIP, please check out the links below. Or, if you would like training or to see a system overview demonstration, please email us at coordinator@bnbiz.org.

Online links:

- www.ciplacements.com
- StudentMax website (**Training Page**)
<http://www.studentmax.org/training.php>

In closing: “Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much – Helen Keller.”