West Michigan Interprofessional Education Initiative

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Background

- Established in 2007
  - Vice Provost for Health from Grand Valley State University
  - President and CEO of Grand Rapids Medical Education Partners
  - Community-Wide Assessment Dean from Michigan State University-College of Human Medicine

- Mission
  - Identify ways that the founding members and regional partners can develop collaborative, innovative, and interprofessional (IP) initiatives across disciplines, learning institutions, and health care systems.

Goals

- Overarching Goals
  - Integrate IP learning in curricula
  - Identify, develop, implement, and assess IP clinical experiences for teams of students
  - Implement IP scholarship across disciplines and institutions

West Michigan Model of Interprofessional Education (IPE)

Goals of Six Champion Workgroups

- Clinical Setting
  - Develop model units for teaching IP patient care
  - Institutionalize IP and collaborative practice

- Cross-Professional Competency
  - Establish culture of cross-professional competencies

- Curriculum
  - Operationalize IP across curriculums

- Scholarship
  - Implement IP scholarship across disciplines and institutions

- Service
  - Develop and implement community-based IP team placement in service learning activities

- Simulation
  - Continuously develop IP simulations to serve the educational programs and health care agencies in West Michigan

Conclusions

- WMIPEI has created a partnership among Grand Rapids regional educational and health care organizations that has increased community awareness and momentum for the movement toward IPE and collaborative practice in health care. This, along with the WMIPEI model of IPE, can be used not only to produce excellent students, but also to foster excellence in health care.

WMIPEI Products

- WMIPEI Products Include
  - Annual West Michigan IPE Initiative Conference
  - Three-Part Faculty Development Program
  - Faculty Development Online Module
  - Safety Culture Transformation Study
  - Patient Safety Online Module
  - Team Building and Team Dynamics Module
  - Learner’s Introduction to IPE Online Module
  - Guidelines for Daily Huddles and Collaborative Care Planning
  - Preceptor Manual Overview Online Module
  - IPE Scholar Works
  - Lunch & Learn Series
  - Virtual Patient Care Cases