

WVNCC Radiography Program Advisory Committee Meeting

July 13, 2020 at 1:00PM–2:00PM via Zoom

Present: Misty Kahl, Missy Stephens, Miranda Schrack, Tonya Trigg, Molly Dutton, Jill Loveless, Bonnie Peterman, Jen Bond, Brianne Utt, Lisa Soly

Topic	Discussion
<u>Introduction of new members</u>	All members of the Advisory Committee members who were present at the Zoom meeting were introduced.
<u>Update on Radiography Program Class of 2020 Graduates</u>	<p>WVNCC held a “virtual” on-line graduation tribute on 5/15/2020 due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, & a “virtual” pinning ceremony was via Zoom for the 16 Radiography graduates on 5/24/2020. All 16 have taken their ARRT Registry Exam & 14 passed it on the first attempt. One is attending Radiation Therapy School on-line & 3 are currently working at 3 different hospitals. Several others have applied to various facilities, but due to COVID, the facilities are currently under a hiring freeze.</p> <p>Instead of attending the Kettering Radiography Registry Review Seminar on-site at WVNCC, the seminar was held virtually via Zoom in May 2020.</p> <p>All grads were given access the week before graduation to complete anonymous Course/Instructor evaluations.</p>
<u>Update on Radiography Program Class of 2021</u>	There are currently 15 students in the class. They finished the 2 nd half of the Spring 2020 semester online due to COVID, so they also missed half of the semester at clinicals. The Summer 2020 Semester was delayed one week to allow more time at clinicals. The first 5 weeks of the Summer Semester, students were only rotating 1 day/week. They started rotating 3 days/week on 6/7/2020. The lack of clinicals is a huge concern. They have been sent several YouTube positioning videos & ASRT has provided some videos, but we are looking at every possible way to better prepare them. We have applied for a mini-grant to cover the cost of enrolling the class in the Rad Tech Boot Camp (RTBC) On-Line Program as soon as possible. They already are enrolled in their last semester, but we feel the sooner we can get them enrolled, the better. There is an updated & expanded section on Radiographic Positioning including instructional video lectures, self quizzes, flash cards, etc. The program also extensively covers all areas of the ARRT Registry Exam, & allows the instructors the ability to track each students’ scores on the self quizzes, see their progress in all areas, monitor the amount of time that they spend on each subject, etc.

	<p>RTBC would be a great supplement to their Radiography education for the rest of the year & be invaluable if COVID causes additional restrictions on clinicals/labs this fall.</p> <p>The class hopes to attend the WVSRT Annual Conference at Canaan Valley Resort in November 2020. They plan to participate in the Student Bowl, Essay Competition, & Exhibit Competitions. They have already done some fundraising to help pay for their trip, but they have been discussing the possibility of doing some additional online fundraising to increase their funds.</p> <p>A current 2nd year student & a 2020 graduate were both selected as the 2 representatives from WV to attend the ASRT Student Leadership & Development Conference in Albuquerque, NM in June 2020. Unfortunately the conference was cancelled due to COVID, but they have both been invited to attend the 2021 meeting in Reno, NV. ASRT covers all expenses for the trip, which is a great honor & learning experience for the students. WVNCC Radiography Program has had at least 1 student selected to attend every year except 2014 (no one from WVNCC applied that year).</p> <p>All students were given access the week before graduation to complete anonymous Course/Instructor evaluations.</p>
<p><u>Update on Radiography Program Class of 2022</u></p>	<p>Orientation will be held August 3, for the class of 2021 that will start on Monday, August 24, 2020. All students will receive general information about the program & WVNCC in general, & they will receive information regarding the Castle Branch company that is used for tracking of their background check & drug screen. They will also receive information regarding the required physical exam, immunizations, titers, etc. that must be completed prior to clinical rotations that will begin in January 2021. The immunizations, titers, etc. are based on the clinical education site that has the strictest requirements so that students will be covered at all of the facilities that they rotate through. Drug screenings will be conducted at the end of Orientation.</p>
<p><u>Annual review of Radiography Program Mission Statement</u></p>	<p>The WVNCC Radiography Program Mission Statement was sent out to all members along with the agenda prior to the meeting for review. No one suggested any changes to the Mission Statement, so it will remain unchanged.</p>
<p><u>Update on Radiography Program Assessment Plan</u></p>	<p>Program Assessment Information data for the past 5 years (2014-2019) was distributed to the committee members. This data is also posted on the WVNCC Radiography Program webpage & will be included in the JRCERT Annual Report that is due Oct. 2, 2020. The projected data for 2015-2020 was also distributed.</p>

	<p>The JRCERT established a benchmark for all programs that the 5-year average for the first time pass rate of the ARRT Registry Certification Exam must be at least 75%. When the report was submitted for 2014-2018, the 5 year average ARRT pass rate was 76% = (59/78). When the report is submitted this year for 2015-2019, the 5 year average will be 80% = (55/69). When the report is submitted for next year (2016-2020), the 5 year average will be 84% (61/73).</p> <p>*Many things were implemented to help improve this average including Rad Tech Boot Camp learning module assignments, Rad Review assignments, revised Monthly Review Tests (MRTs), & utilizing the Kettering Radiography Review Seminar (Webinar & Home Study Program). We continuously monitor ways to improve the educational experience for the Radiography Students – for example, starting the RTBC Program one semester earlier than usual.</p> <p>We also do a yearly Program Assessment for WVNCC, an ongoing Assessment Plan for JRCERT, & Course Assessments for WVNCC every Fall & Spring Semester. Data is currently being added/evaluated to the Assessment Plan & will be available to the committee once it is updated.</p>
<p><u>Update on JRCERT Accreditation / WVNCC Accreditation.</u></p>	<p>The WVNCC Radiography Program had its most recent JRCERT Site Visit in 2016. We were awarded the maximum 8 year accreditation following the Site Visit (2016-2024). The Interim Report is due on 12/21/2020 at the 4-year mark in the Accreditation cycle. There is a fee of \$1500 that must accompany the Interim Report & was included in the yearly budget projection.</p> <p>In the most recent accreditation letter, JRCERT strongly suggested that WVNCC Radiography Program officials attend an Accreditation/Assessment seminar prior to the submission of the Interim Report. Officials were registered to attend the JRCERT Seminar at their office in Chicago, IL in May 2020, but that was cancelled due to COVID. JRCERT is holding an all-day Accreditation Webinar via Zoom in November 2020. Officials will request to attend the Webinar.</p>
<p><u>Discuss Clinical Education Sites (CES)/Rotation Areas at Sites.</u></p>	<p>UTILIZING SITES WITH COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS: it has been a great challenge getting to the CES. Missy said that before students go to WH, they get a pre-screening call, & she signed papers confirming that they have had instruction in HIPAA, PPE, etc. – based on a list she was given from the WH Family Residency Office. Student wear gloves, masks, & eye protection everywhere, which is provided by WVNCC. Jill asked Bonnie to get with the Allied Health Programs to do a “batch order” of PPE for the Fall Semester. The Clinical Instructors & staff have been really helpful with the students in trying to make sure</p>

	<p>they are caught up as much as possible. The CIs have been working very hard & doing extra things with all students to try to make up anything that they are lacking.</p> <p>TRAJECSYS – Students are currently enrolled in the TRAJECSYS System. This allows them to “clock in & out” utilizing either the clinical site’s computer or their smart phone (if applicable). Program Officials can see the exact times that the student arrived & left the facility, as well as their location.</p>
<p><u>Plans for Fall 2020 semester with COVID-19 Restrictions</u></p>	<p>Currently the plan is to hold in-person classes in the fall with social distancing, masks, etc. All courses at the college will go fully online after the Thanksgiving break for the rest of the Fall 2020 semester. All classes are listed as “Hybrid” on the schedule in the event they have to go online sooner than November. Although most lectures can be converted to online without much issue, the huge challenge is the lab component, as well as the clinicals. Jill said to consider all possibilities (best to worst case scenarios) & have a plan. If there are no clinicals in the Fall, we will have to reconsider what we are currently doing with the schedule because we will NOT be comfortable signing off that students are competent/eligible to sit for their Registry Exam & be prepared to work in the field as entry-level radiographers.</p>
<p><u>Old, New, Unfinished Business</u></p>	<p>SURVEYS – recently Graduate, Alumni, & Employer Surveys were sent out to the Class of 2019. So far, some Graduate & Alumni Surveys have been returned, along with some Employer Surveys. Misty will send additional Employer Surveys to both Wheeling Hospital & WVU-Reynolds.</p> <p>PERKINS 5 FUNDING – Jill mentioned that the Perkins 5 funding rules are very different than previous years. She will be looking at Allied Health Pathways, so she will be scheduling a Zoom meeting with all of the WVNCC Allied Health Program Advisory Committee to seek input from stakeholders.</p> <p>CHANGE RAD. PROGRAM APPLICATION DEADLINE – the application deadline for the Radiography Program was changed from May 1 to the 2nd Thursday in June year. This brought us in line with Surgical Technology & Medical Assisting deadlines. It also allows us to see the applicant’s final updated transcript prior to the deadline, & it allowed applicants additional opportunities to take the ACT/SAT if desired. Since the deadline was moved to June, the interviews were also be moved to June (instead of the week we are on break in May).</p> <p>CLASS OF 2021 ISSUES/CONCERNS – the Class President was asked prior to the meeting if the students had any issues or concerns that they wanted discussed at the meeting & she just wanted the fundraising mentioned.</p>

	CLINICAL STAFF HANDBOOK – this is currently being updated & will be sent out to all clinical sites (with signature sheets that will need returned) as soon as it is done.
<u>The meeting was adjourned</u>	