

HCWP Symposium Consensus Ideas for Further Research

1. Maintain the existing multi-stakeholder collaborative. Create an online health care workforce clearinghouse at a neutral site. Website should have information and activities relevant to members including job postings, grant/funding opportunities, and best practices. It should utilize social networking. Focus would be on securing data, identifying trends, creating a list serve and convening an annual workshop/conference with breakouts and training sessions from various stakeholders.
2. Increase inter-professional educational opportunities in Kansas for a multi-professional multi-disciplined interaction in the classroom and clinical sites (clinical training is the most critical need).(Consider sharing educational resources for physicians, physician assistants, and APRNs.
3. Develop means to improve a community's capability to recruit and retain primary care health professionals
4. Create funding pool to offer financial support similar to the Kansas Medical Student Loan Program to APRNs and PA students willing to attend school full-time and practice primary care in high need areas after graduation

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