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The WRHA Educator Council Communication Guide

The Regional Educator Council provides a forum for consultation on planning, coordinating, implementing and evaluating educational initiatives related to the learning needs of all members of the interprofessional health care team across the Winnipeg Health Region. It consists of members from across the Region, representing sites, programs and disciplines. The Regional Educator Council exists as a support to Regional Committees and Programs to aid in educational initiatives affecting more than one program, site or discipline.

The primary roles of the Council include:

1. Maximizing consistency and efficiency and minimizing duplication in development of educational and learning materials
2. Providing consultation regarding development of educational strategies and initiatives

For a complete list of Council roles, as well as represented sites and programs, please refer to the Terms of Reference. Please note the WRHA Educator Council does not implement educational initiatives. The Council does provide consultation, suggestions and feedback to those seeking to implement clinical education on a Regional basis. In certain situations, Educator Resources can be assigned to an existing project or working group to support an educational initiative. Please contact Cathy Rippin-Sisler, Regional Director, Clinical Education and Continuing Professional Development (crippinsisler@whra.mb.ca) or Natalie MacLeod Schroeder, Manager, Clinical Education Initiatives (nmschroeder@wrha.mb.ca) to discuss this option further.

Accessing the Regional Educator Council

Consultation with the Educator Council should occur around significant practice changes, new or revised Clinical Practice Guidelines, new equipment or other initiatives that affect clinical staff throughout the Region. Staff seeking to access the Educator Council can do so in a number of ways:

1. For site or program-related educational questions or needs, please consult with your site/program representative on the committee. Please refer to the Educator Council Membership list for your representative on the committee.
2. For Programs, sites or committees seeking consultation on Regional or multi-site/program initiatives which require education and/or training (see Development of Educational Material for Staff document), contact Cathy Rippin-Sisler, (crippinsisler@whra.mb.ca) or Natalie MacLeod Schroeder, (nmschroeder@wrha.mb.ca) to discuss a presentation to and consultation with the Educator Council.
3. For initiatives which are informational in nature only (see Development of Educational Material for Staff document) for general distribution, contact Helen Jowett, Administrative Secretary, Clinical Education (hjowett@wrha.mb.ca) with materials to be distributed to the Educator Council. Please provide a brief statement in your email which includes to whom the information should be directed and any requested actions. Alternatively, use the WRHA Educator Council email list in the Global Address Book in Outlook.
4. If you are not certain of your needs, contact Cathy Rippin-Sisler, (crippinsisler@whra.mb.ca) or Natalie MacLeod Schroeder Manager, Clinical Education Initiatives (nmschroeder@wrha.mb.ca).