

Background

Literature suggests that nursing leadership is one of the most important attributes a nurse can carry with them throughout their career.

Charge nurses require strong leadership skills and literature suggests that nurses are often underprepared for assuming this role when entering the workforce

Objective

The objective of this project was to efficiently and comprehensibly educate 4th year BSN students of the influence nursing leadership skills can have in shaping their careers and functioning competently as a charge nurse

Methods

- A comprehensive literature review was completed to identify currently established nursing leadership qualities and applications in healthcare
- Creation and implementation of an educational seminar about leadership and the role of a charge nurse

Conclusions/Recommendations

- Nursing leaders are one of the driving forces behind positive healthcare policy changes
- Leadership is a crucial aspect of facilitating career progression and assuming the role of a charge nurse
- The value and impact of nursing leadership can be taught in a short and comprehensive seminar to help prepare BSN students for their careers



“Nursing requires strong, consistent and knowledgeable leaders who are visible, inspire others and support professional nursing practice.” (CNA, 2020)

