USNH Receives Champion Nursing Award

USNH and CCSNH honored for program contributions which address the critical shortage of nurses in New Hampshire.

Concord, NH – October 24, 2016 - The University System of New Hampshire is honored to receive this year’s prestigious New Hampshire Nurses Association “Champion of Nursing” Award. The annual award recognizes organizations that provide exceptional support to the profession of nursing. This year the NHNA Champion of Nursing award will be extended for the RN to BSN Pathway Program, a partnership of the University System of New Hampshire and the Community College System of New Hampshire. The program represents an affordable pathway for nurses to receive a BSN degree from the two public higher education systems in the State.

The RN to BSN Pathway Program was developed to help address New Hampshire’s critical shortage of registered nurses. The partnership between the University System of New Hampshire’s Granite State College (GSC) and the Community College System of New Hampshire, allows students who complete an Associate of Nursing Degree from one of New Hampshire’s community colleges to then apply to GSC for the BSN completion program and pay the same cost per credit as community college courses.

“Part of our mission as a public system is to create an educated workforce that can help move New Hampshire forward,” stated USNH Chancellor Todd Leach. “We are honored to be recognized for the success of this innovative pathway program, and are also proud that our work will make a difference for the citizens of New Hampshire and address a critical workforce shortage in our state.”

“On behalf of the NHNA Commission on Nursing Practice, we extend our congratulations and best wishes to you and the leadership of the Community College System of New Hampshire and the University System of New Hampshire,” stated Holly Clayton RN, MSN, ACNP-BC.

For questions related to this event, please contact Faith at office@nhnurses.org.

About USNH

The University System of New Hampshire enrolls 34,000 students, and consists of four public institutions: Granite State College, Keene State College, Plymouth State University and the University of New Hampshire. USNH strives to ensure the availability of appropriate and accessible higher educational opportunities throughout New Hampshire, as well as address critical state workforce needs. A 29-member Board of Trustees is responsible for overseeing the University System.

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