Companeros por Salud

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Compañeros Por Salud: Partners in Health

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A Need:

- Mission to contribute to the public’s health
  - address health disparities \((HP \ 2010)\)
- A developing research agenda
  - faculty research
  - student research programs
- A growing undergraduate and graduate nursing program:
  - emphasizes community health
  - strained clinical resources
Community-Oriented Nursing Practice
(Stanhope and Lancaster)

- Philosophy of nursing service delivery that provides health care through community diagnosis and investigation of major health and environmental problems
- The aim is to prevent disease and disability and to promote, protect, and maintain health
- Strengths-based approach
- Process is driven by the community
How do the pieces go together?

Community agencies  Research  Clinical Placements

Service-learning  School of Nursing  citizen-participants
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Education

Research

Service
Education: Clinical Placement

- Student supervised by on-site faculty and/or agency personnel
- Course goals, objectives & prescribed learning activities defined
- Student's receive orientation prior to placement
Service: Service-learning

- Volunteer activity that may be awarded credit
- Project defined between community agency and faculty/student
- Student indirectly supervised by faculty
- Student works directly with agency
Service: provision of care

- Student run health clinic (soup kitchen)
- Nurse run clinic (TBD)
Research

- Faculty oriented
- Student oriented
- Agency oriented

- Database maintained on website
Players

UCONN Medicine
Generations
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United Social Services
Windham Hospital
Migratory Children's Program
ECSU Social Work
Generations
Pereceptions
Windham Regional Community Council
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AHEC
Holy Family Home & Shelter
United Social Services
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