

# Profiles of Integrated Care: Community College Nursing Partnership



## Description

Nursing students from the Lorain County Community College Division of Allied Health and Nursing lead psychoeducational groups and help Gathering Hope House staff with health education programming including nutrition, exercise, strength training, smoking cessation, lifestyle choices, health screenings, blood pressure readings, and other related programs. For the nursing students, this program provides an educational practicum and gives them experience working with people with severe mental illnesses. For Gathering Hope House staff, it helps them identify health risks among consumers, connect consumers to providers and resources in the community, and provide health-related information to consumers.

## Operational Resources

The nursing students use Gathering Hope House's conference room as well as other areas of the building to lead groups, make educational presentations, and talk to consumers. Gathering Hope House's existing Recovery Specialists help the nursing students in their practicum experience. Lorain County Community College Nursing Professor June Allen leads the project practicum experience. Students are involved in this community-based experience for a total of 104 hours over 8 weeks. A total of 48 students participate each academic year.

## Financial Resources

This program requires no additional funding, as the nursing students' practicum experience is unpaid. There is a nominal expense for paper and copying health-related information.

### Program Type



Direct clinical service



Psychosocial/psychoeducational



Agency practice



Workforce development



Other

### Location



Mental health or substance abuse treatment agency



Community



Primary care provider office



Hospital

### Providers



Primary care



Mental health or substance abuse treatment



Consumer



Trainer/consultant



Other: College

*The scales below are meant to be at-a-glance graphic descriptions of this provider's perspectives of issues related to integration projects. For more information, please contact the provider or the Ohio Coordinating Center for Integrating Care.*

### Cost



### Staffing



### Ease of Implementation



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