

Advancing Inter-professional Education for Future Public Health Practitioners

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Objectives

- Describe an overview of the Inter-professional Education (IPE) pilot project
- Illustrate aspects of the on-line software
- Explain IPE concepts, definitions and structures
- Describe preliminary evaluation findings
- Discuss IPE implications for PH practice



IPE Pilot Project

<u>Purpose</u>

Develop and implement an inter-professional education initiative in public health practice related to the IPE competencies

Teaching Methods

- On-line interactive learning module
- Videotaped session
- Facilitated discussion
- Interviews

Funding

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Evaluation Methods

Peer review of on-line module

Pre/post evaluation



Partnership

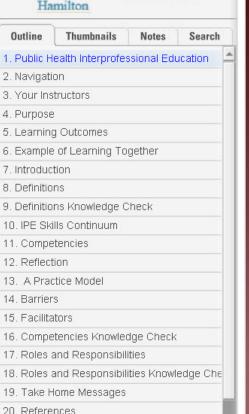
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Public Health Interprofessional Education

Orientation Learning Module



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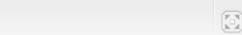
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Students & PH Practitioners Involvement

Informed and validated the content

Evaluated module utility and effectiveness

Participated in the educational methods



On-line Learning Resource

Purpose

- Explain IPE collaborative practice concepts
- Describe role and responsibilities of PH professionals

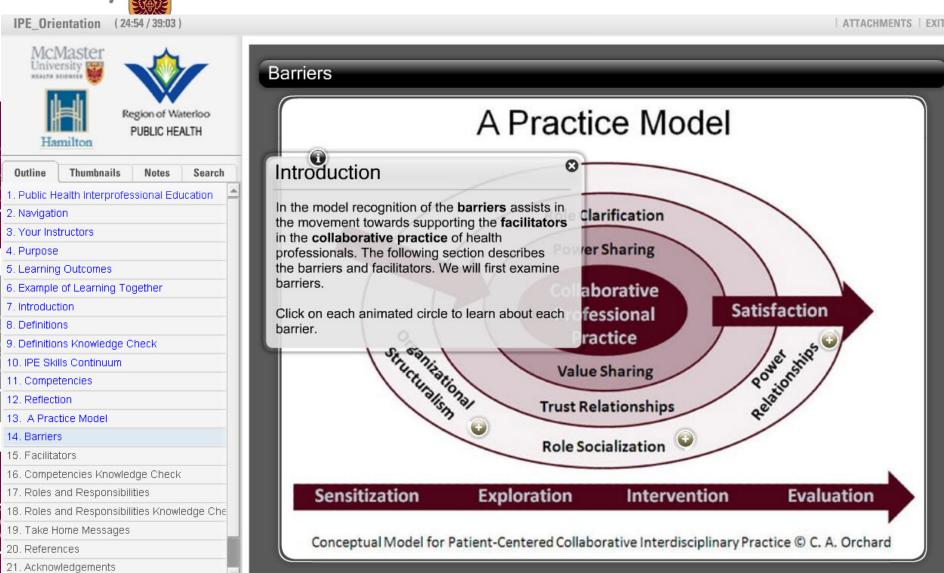
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Articulate software

http://www.ltrc.mcmaster.ca/IPE_Orientation/player.html



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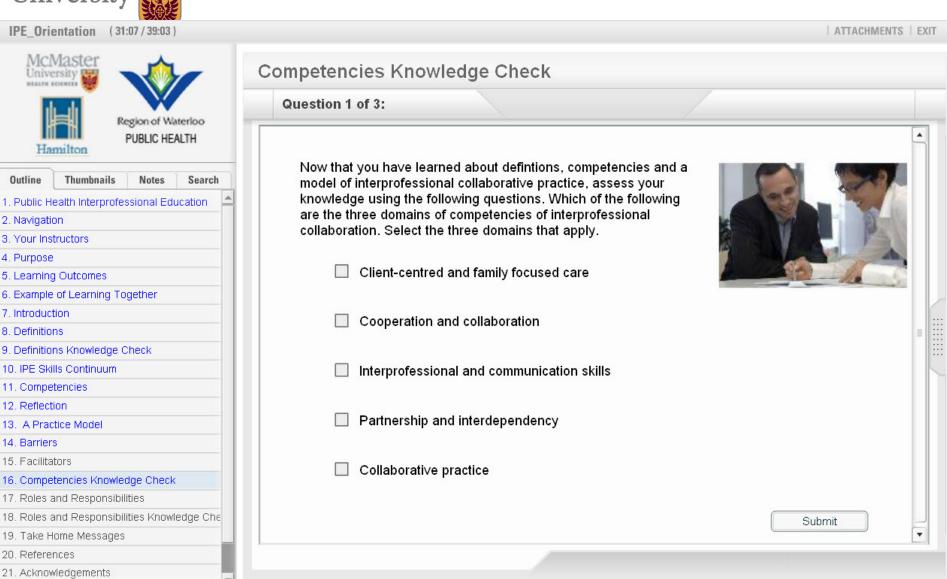
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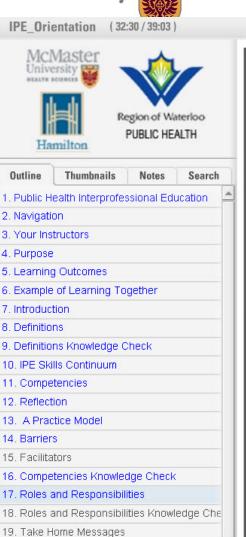
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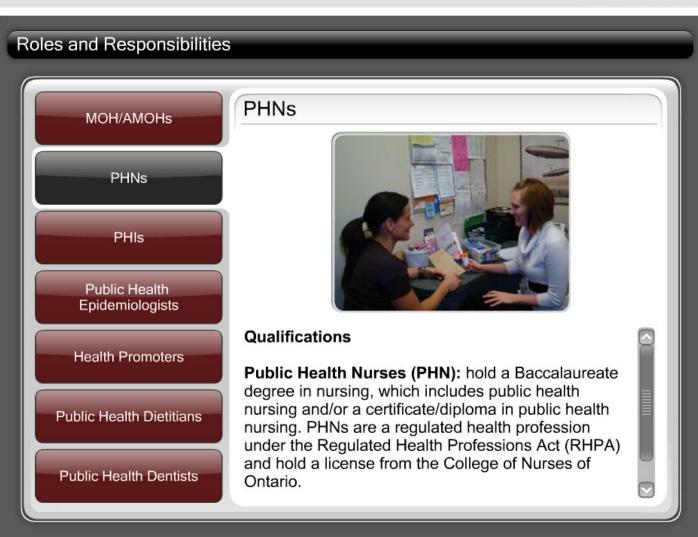
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Literature Review

- Effectiveness of IPE (Reeves et al., 2008)
- Client focused HC system (Romanow, 2002)
- System application -health & education (Papa et al., 1998; D'amour & Oandasan, 2005)



Common Definitions

- Professional
- Discipline
- Inter-professionality
- IPE
- Teamwork
 - Multidisciplinary
 - Interdisciplinary
 - Trans disciplinary



Supportive Structures

- Continuum of IP collaborative practice skills
- Components of Collaborative practices
- IPE Competencies (BC College of Health Disciplines)
- IPE Practice Model
- Public Health
 - Core Competency #4
 - Discipline specific competencies



Continuum of IP Collaborative Practice Skills

Harmonizing model

Communication

Consultation

Cooperation

Coordination

Collaboration

Collaborative practice

(Verma, Paterson & Medves, 2006)



IPE Competencies



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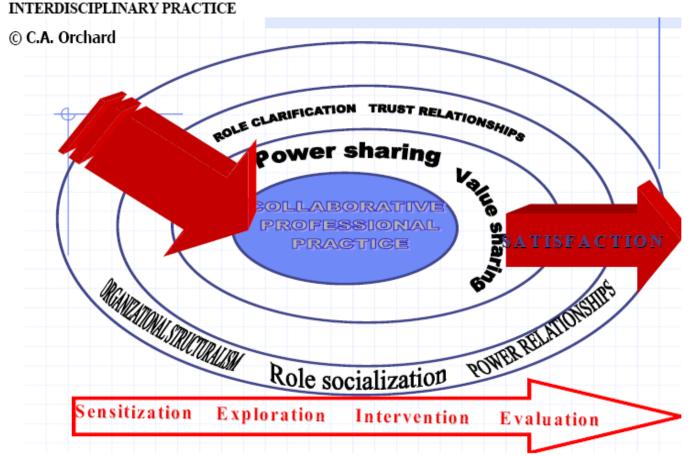
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Inter-professional Practice Model (Orchard et al., 2005)

Figure 1 CONCEPTUAL MODEL FOR PATIENT-CENTERED COLLABORATIVE





Evaluation Results

On-line Peer Review (N=12)

- Quality of the content
- Effectiveness of the module
- Use of technology and its ease of use

Conclusion: an effective easy to use on-line IPE teaching/learning tool with high quality content developed.



Preliminary Results: Quantitative

Demographics

N= 5, female, nursing and medicine students

Quantitative results

- Previous experience
- PHI role was not recognized (post)
- Activities of PH practitioners known except preparing budget
- IPE rated with high importance



Preliminary Results: Qualitative

Emerging Themes

Common

- Understanding roles
- Communication
- Sense of respect and trust

New

- Value of equality and inclusiveness
 - "..allowing everyone to have a voice and opinion, carrying equal weights in the common goal"



Limitations

- Pilot
- Sample size
- Video recording



Implications

- Orientation
- IP collaborative practice competencies
- Undergraduate curriculum



Summary

This small pilot developed a new IPE resource and explored the introduction of inter-professional education in public health.



QUESTIONS?