



PHLE -MINUTES
June 16, 2025, at 5:00 PM
Zoom

Members Present: Lisa Parkman (Committee Chair), Phlebotomy Supervisor, Lab Services, The Vancouver Clinic; Heather Harris, Pre-Analytical Specialist, Kaiser NW; Forrest Murphy, The Technical Trainer, Phlebotomy Program Instructor, The Vancouver Clinic/Portland Community College

Guests: Audrey Morrow, Inpatient Phlebotomy, Legacy Good Samaritan Medical Center

Members Absent: Heather Havins, Sr. Phlebotomist, Compass Oncology

Labor Representative:

Clark College: Amy Castellano, Department Chair, Clark College; Lori Anderson, Instructor, Clark College; Elizabeth Flores, Advisory Coordinator, Clark College; Jessica Hash, Academic Advisor, Clark College; Ryan Johnson, Program Specialist 2, Clark College; Alex Kison, Workforce and Student Engagement, Clark College

The meeting began at 5:03 PM, and a quorum was met at 5:15 pm.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The committee will meet next on November 3, 2025.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes from the previous meeting on September 30, 2024, were approved.

COLLEGE UPDATES

Amy shared that Educational Service District (ESD) 112 and various Allied Health Programs have partnered to conduct local high school outreach, increasing awareness and resources for students interested in becoming healthcare workers.

Amy shared information about the upcoming Healthcare Pathways Camp on June 23-25, 2025.

ENROLLMENTS

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Amy discussed the program's enrollment updates. Medical Assisting students within the Associate of Applied Technology pathway are struggling with enrollment. 10 students are projected for fall 2025, which would suffice for one section of the labs.

Amy discussed the program enrollment sizes for the upcoming year. Potentially, the program will shorten the winter and spring enrollment; therefore, the program will take on the projected 10 students.

Amy discussed 2024-25 enrollment data. During the winter quarter, the program started with 15 students and lost 3 students due to personal reasons. During the spring quarter, the program had 14 students.

There is a slight increase and the program and anticipation for the winter of 2026 might increase. 6 people are ready to start, and 8 need to complete their preliminary courses.

Forrest asked what the minimum the program would have? The lowest limit.

Amy noted 5 or 6.

COHORT REDUCTION APPROVED

Amy shared that the program received approval to reduce the cohort size after various rounds through the Instruction Planning Team (IPT). This provides the program relief for a smaller oversight and clinical sites. Additionally, this allows for Lori to place 16 versus 24 students at clinical sites.

CLINICAL PLACEMENTS

Lori discussed challenges with internships and facility partnerships. Some facilities have not accepted students for various reasons, including staffing etc.

Lori shared that the Vancouver Clinic opened 3 spots for students. Lab Corp has opened 3 sites for the spring 2025 quarter. An inpatient site was provided since many students requested the inpatient setting. Compass Oncology accepted 2 students, and Kaiser provided 1 site. 3 students are attending the Providence facility.

Lori noted that Peace Health is not able to take any students at this time. Additionally, Northwest Medical Associates, the program, recently received the contract to begin a clinical affiliation agreement with the hopes of placing students there in Vancouver.

Lori shared that Adventist Hospital is requesting the fitting of the N95 for isolation rooms beforehand. The program offers N95 fit tests, but the fees are high.

Amy shared that the program has not had to fit test students before sending them to a facility. The facility wanted no more than a 60-day window of time from when the student gets a background check to when they start their clinical hours. It is a short turnaround for the program and students.

Amy shared that OHSU has an in-house training program for Phlebotomy.

Ryan shared that the program may be able to overcome this in the future if the transition to ACEMAPP moves forward.

Forrest shared that the OHSU in-house program might last for one year until the funding runs out.

Lori discussed parking fee concerns with students. Lori asked if Portland Community College provided parking compensation.

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Audrey shared that Portland Community College does not offer compensation for parking. However, there are season passes available for \$50. Lastly, Legacy doesn't require students to pay for parking while doing their rotation.

Amy discussed that the previous cohort's clinical site was in Portland, Oregon. The program prepares students for the commute, but it aims to place students in Vancouver, Washington, if there is availability.

WSP PARTNERSHIP

Amy shared that the Impaired Driving Section of Washington is looking to train officers in rural areas and throughout Vancouver in partnership with the Clark College Phlebotomy Program. Amy met with the coordinator last week and will pursue a partnership this Fall, in hopes of completing the training before the quarter begins or ends.

Amy shared that the class size would consist of 8-10 troopers participating in the butterfly technique.

Amy discussed that Renton and Shoreline Community College have their own training programs and curriculum for local police officers. Therefore, the program would like to standardize its program and request Renton and Shoreline's curriculum.

Amy discussed the length of the programs from other colleges and the 15-30 successful draws as a minimum. Amy welcomed committee feedback on the minimum number of draws necessary to train police officers.

Forrest recommended not worrying about Humasis or precision, but 15 draws are too low. Forrest recommended closer to 30 draws as a minimum, but ideally more.

Amy inquired at Portland Community College, how many successful draws students need in a quarter.

Forrest said over 50 % of their draws

Amy noted that the operating procedure manual and state laws vary, since there is a different level of identification and paperwork.

Heather recommended exposure and how to deal with combative patients.

Lisa discussed that liability would be important to incorporate in the training. Lisa also stated that no less than 30 and more would be beneficial.

Alex inquired if the American Red Cross would work as a potential employer placement site. Or Zoom Care clinics come to mind.

Lori asked if the police officers have EMT knowledge.

Amy shared that many have medical knowledge, but not all.

Amy mentioned that this training will be offered as a community education course and that troopers will not be tracked.

FUTURO HEALTH

Amy shared that Futuro Health reached out to provide funding to assist the program in hopes of introducing more people into healthcare careers. The company is based in California, and they work

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with colleges and training facilities. Amy noted the benefits and mentioned that the prerequisites might be a barrier. Amy noted she will need to review the pre-req coursework.
Lisa is in favor of pivoting to remain comparable and competitive to retain students.

ACTION ITEMS

Amy will work on recruiting additional members.
The committee will re-elect the chair and vice-chair.
The committee will review the work plan.

The meeting adjourned at 6:16 PM

Prepared by Elizabeth Flores