QEP BASICS

- QEP = Quality Enhancement Plan
- SACSCOC Requirement. Referenced in two SACSCOC standards
- A plan, based on institutional need and constituent input, to enhance student learning or the environment related to student learning.

- At UT Health, planning started some time ago, with a faculty retreat, the formation of working groups, and three internal QEP proposals
- Three proposals were offered up for a campus-wide vote. No clear "winner.
- Process paused to await completion of new strategic plan.
- QEP Development Team began meeting May 2017.
QEP Development Team Members

- Dr. Ricky Joseph (SHP)
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- Dr. Kristy Kosub (LSOM)
- Dr. Moshtagh Farokhi (SOD)
- Paula Winkler (AHEC)
- Chris Gaspard (Library)
- Dr. Janna Lesser (SON)
- Dr. Andrew Muck (SOM)
- Kathy Paradise (GSBS)
- Lisa Serna (Registrar)
- Melanie Stone (Center for Medical Humanities and Ethics)
- More to come!
OUR QEP (UNWIELDY TITLE VERSION)

- Interprofessional Education and Collaboration for Health Literacy Communication Skills

- Catchy title forthcoming
HEALTH LITERACY

“the degree to which an individual has the capacity to obtain, communicate, process, and understand basic health information and services to make appropriate health decisions”

A broad concept, which includes social determinants of health, numeracy, navigating the health care system, etc.

Our focus is communication – our students with other professionals, patients, clients, scientists, and community members.
TWO STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

- Create a Center for Interprofessional Education and Collaboration
- Create student learning programming and faculty development that leverages IPEC to promote student communication skills for health literacy.
IPEC CENTER ACTIVITIES

- Assist programs with developing health literacy curriculum modules with an IPEC framework.
- Establishing an “IPEC Directory” – an online catalog of current and future IPEC offerings on campus.
- Promoting university-wide IPEC events.
- Providing resources to supplement current IPEC programming.
Online course or course module in foundations of health literacy communication.

Formal recognition of students who have engaged in a series of interprofessional experiences.

Presentations on interprofessional collaboration for health literacy

An annual event focused on student and faculty presentations of IPEC health literacy research or activities
IDEAS? QUESTIONS? COMMENTS?

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