

Community Partnership #3

<p>Partnership Title: Careers in Health Care</p>	<p>Partnership Type: Youth</p>
<p>Description of Proposed Partnership: Host a series of health career information sessions at UOIT/Lakeridge Health/Rouge Valley Health where secondary school students, graduates, parents, teachers and internationally trained health care professionals can meet with and learn from health practitioners in fields such as nursing (community care, public health, gerontology/elder care, acute care/specialty), family medicine and personal support care. <i>Related TOP issue (2007) – shortages of health care practitioners in the region persist, particularly for nurses, family physicians and technologists; collaborative strategies must continue to attract and retain health care professionals, including young entrants to the field and internationally trained workers.</i></p>	
<p>Role of Local Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • plan events, secure facilities. • chair planning meetings with partners, develop agendas for information sessions. • source speakers, including workshop leads. • coordinate outreach to school boards. • assist in developing reference materials and handouts. • evaluate sessions. • liaise with local media re pre and post event coverage. 	
<p>Projected Outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 day/evening sessions attended by a minimum of 50 students, teachers and parents, and 20 internationally trained workers. • students and potential entrants to health care sector gain better understanding of education pathways, co-operative education placements, career opportunities, financial supports for post-secondary education, and training available in Durham Region to be able to make informed decisions. • participants will expand their network of industry contacts in health care. 	
<p>Key Partners: <i>Industry:</i> Lakeridge Health/Rouge Valley Health, Durham Central East Community Care Access Centre, Saint Elizabeth Health Care, Ontario Home Care Association, ParaMed Home Health Care, VON Durham, Comcare Health Services, D H S Health Care Service, VHA Home Healthcare, Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario, The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario. <i>Education:</i> Durham District and Catholic District School Boards, Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board, Peterborough Victoria Northumberland Clarington Catholic District School Board, Durham College, UOIT. <i>Government:</i> Regional Municipality of Durham Health & Social Services, Ministry of Health and Long Term Care.</p>	
<p>Projected Participation: See Projected Outcomes.</p>	
<p>Projected Timelines: September 2007 – January 2008.</p>	
<p>Potential Products: N/A</p>	
<p>Completion Date: June 2007-December 2007</p>	
<p>Status:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • approximately 80 students and teachers attended a full-day nursing careers information day at Durham College-UOIT on June 5th, 2007. • about 100 students and teachers, including a cohort of francophone and French immersion students, attended the annual health careers information day at Durham District School Board on November 30th, 2007; 14 health professions were represented, with 2 of the presentations in French. 	