

2014 Annual Geriatric Interprofessional Student Competition



Working Together to Care for Elders with Dementia and their Caregivers

Registration:

Begins November 1, 2013

Orientation:

January 23, 2014
Thursday
5:30 — 8:00 pm

Competition:

April 7, 2014
Monday
5:30 — 8:00 pm

Students will work within an interprofessional team to assess and analyze the needs of formal and informal caregivers of older adults with Alzheimer's Disease or other dementias. The competition will focus on caregiver burden. Teams will visit with patients and caregivers in assisted living or personal home settings in the community as they conduct a needs assessment. Needs assessment data will be analyzed, and the interprofessional team will develop recommendations. Program recommendations will be presented at the April 7th Competition. To help prepare students for this competition, students will receive:

Training and resources in dementia, caregiver burden, and the concept of aging in place
Training in interprofessional team dynamics
Practical knowledge and experience with community older adults with dementia and their caregivers

The experience will require a minimum of 24 hours of commitment over 3 months' time.

All students who complete the competition will receive a certificate of participation and a medallion with a ribbon in their school colors to wear at graduation.

Students may also register for independent study credit with a faculty member from their discipline.

The HGEC Team Competition will involve students who are in the last years of their undergraduate or in graduate programs. Students are invited to participate from:

UTHealth Schools of Medicine, Nursing, Dentistry, Dental Hygiene, Biomedical Sciences, Biomedical Informatics, and Public Health

University of Houston Colleges of Pharmacy, Optometry and Law; Graduate College of Social Work; and Department of Communication Sciences & Disorders

Texas Woman's University Schools of Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy

American College of Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine



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