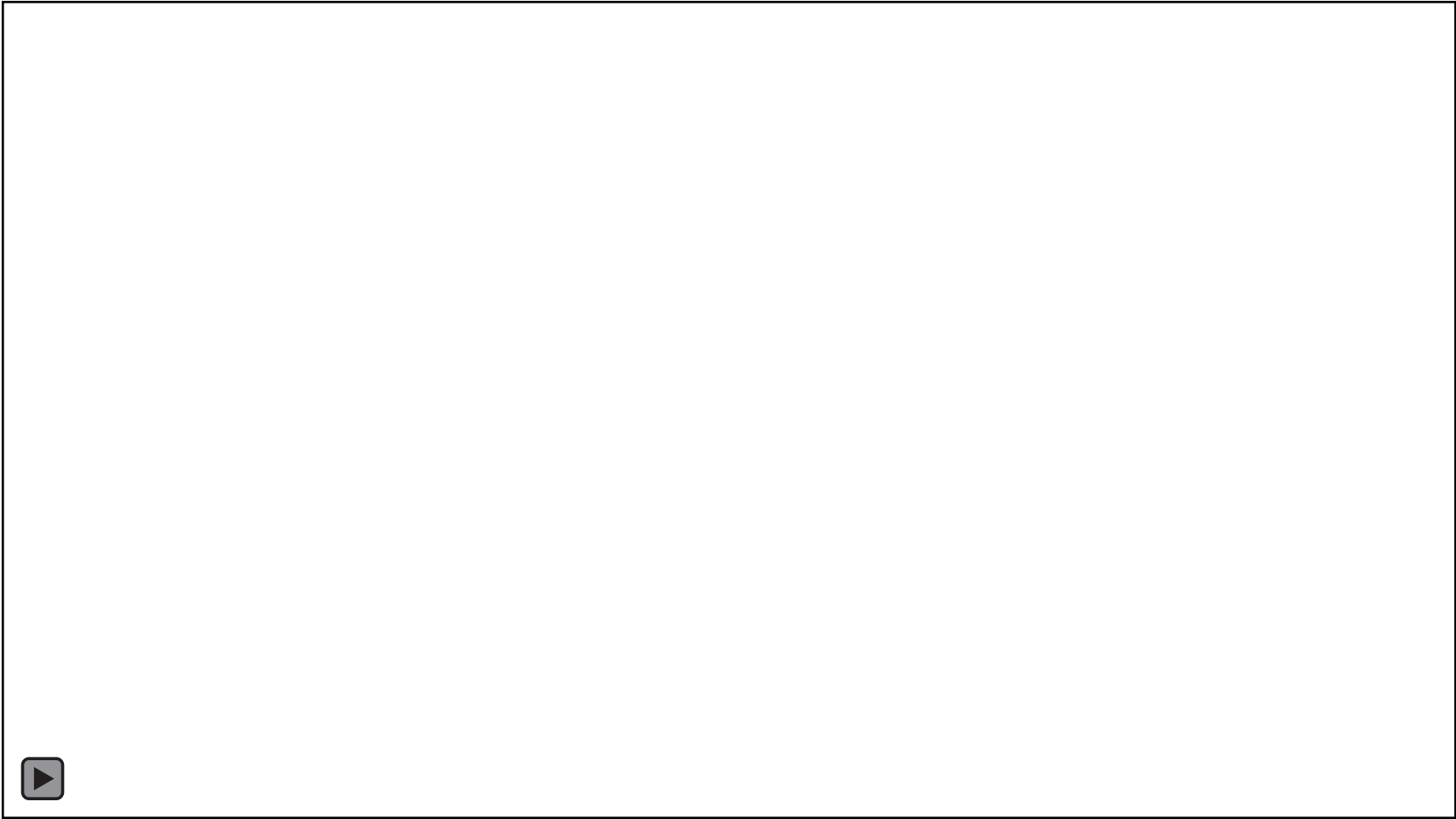




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Davenport's Unique Military Beginnings

- In January 1866, less than one year after the end of the Civil War, Union Army veteran Conrad G. Swensberg founded the Grand Rapids Business College (known today as Davenport University) to assist returning veterans with obtaining employable skills in the rapidly growing business sector.⁶
- Davenport University continues to advocate for military education 153 years after it's humble beginnings and is designated a Military Friendly School offering several specialty programs committed to the education and employment of veterans, active service members, active duty reservists, their spouses and dependents



Commercial College 1872 ca. ⁸

Collaborative Partnerships are Key!

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Davenport University School of Nursing

- Currently offered at the Grand Rapids Lettinga Campus with potential to expand to Lansing and other DU campuses

Wyoming VA Community-Based Outpatient Clinic (CBOC)

- VISN 10 – Battle Creek VA Medical Center
- Potential to include additional west Michigan CBOC sites

Metro Health - University of Michigan Health

- Collaboration with all colleges and universities in the Grand Rapids area to create a model for placements



Preparing our Nursing Students

86.6% growth in
Ambulatory Care
visits for patients
between 2000
and 2013

US Health Resource and Service
Administration

Substantial
Growth in
Ambulatory Care:

- Chronic Disease in
Ambulatory Care
- Health Promotion & Health
Maintenance
- Virtual Care & Technology
Reduced Cost
- Primary care treatment &
treatment centers in rural
areas
- Increase in minimally
invasive surgical
procedures



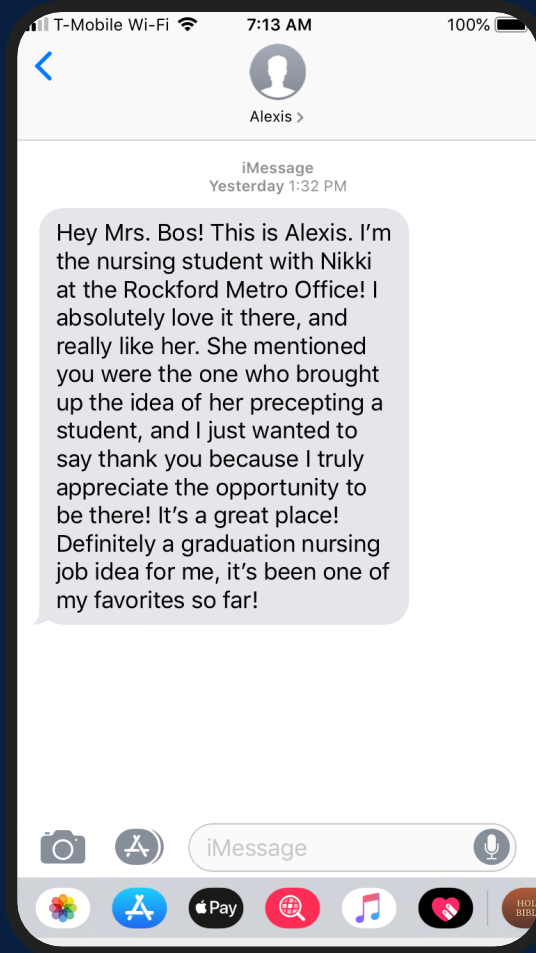
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Next Steps

Identify areas in Healthcare organizations where ambulatory nurses are practicing

Institute standardized nurse practicum program

Continue oversight and support in West Michigan Healthcare organizations and Universities to increase placement of Nursing Students in Ambulatory Care

Significant Components of RNPC

- Clinical experiences within a VA community-based clinic
- Curriculum & clinical aligns with BSN-PL course objectives
- Annual essay application process in the spring for 3 years
- Cohort of up to 10 students selected
- Scholarship awards available for qualifying students
- Immersion training begins in fall of junior year
- Simulation & Standard Patient experiences included
- Mindfulness Stress Relief training provided
- Varied learning formats (clinical, classroom, simulation, and online)

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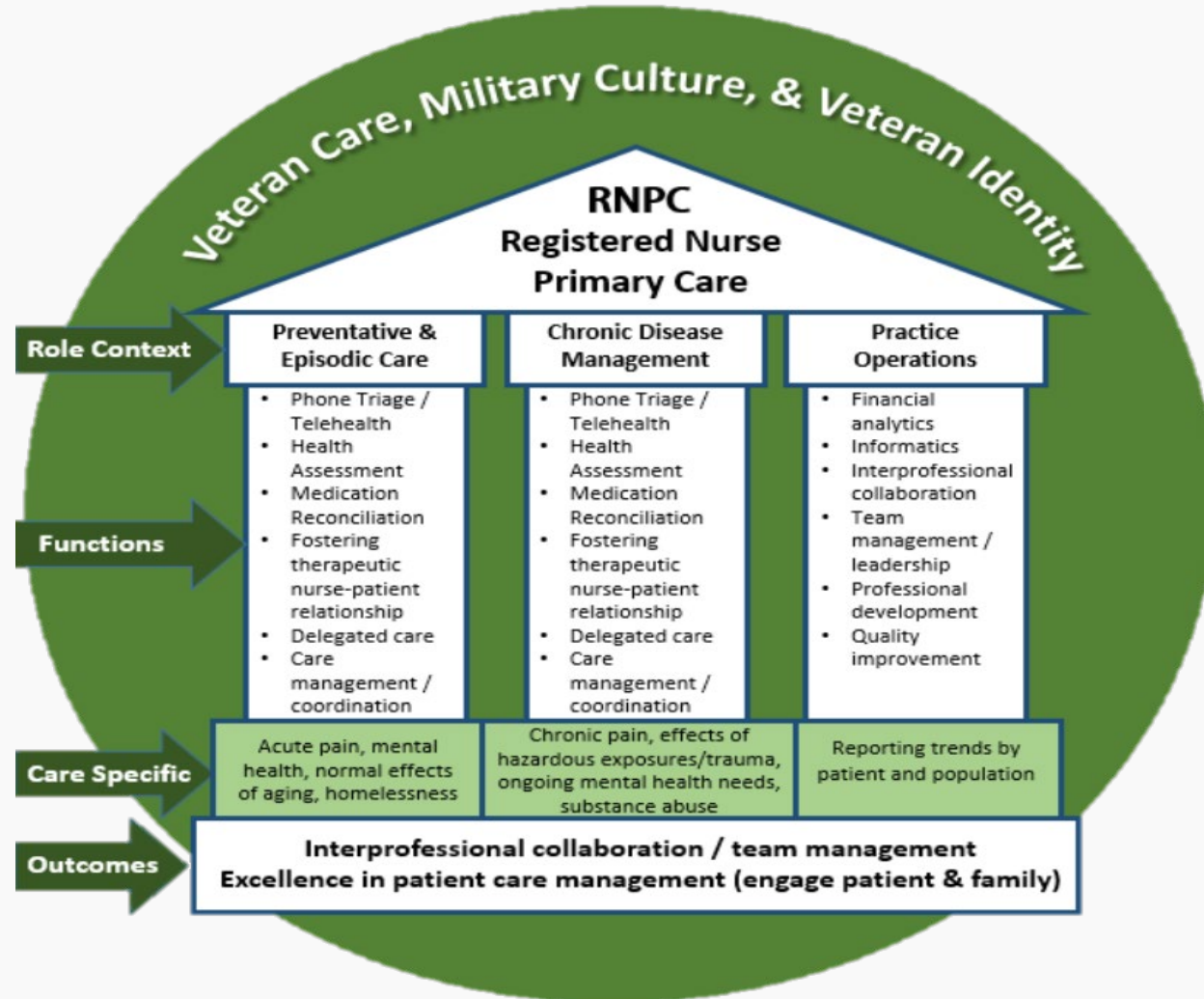
Primary Care/Veteran-Centric Model

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RNPC Model
 developed by
 Davenport University
 in collaboration
 with Wyoming VA CBOC



RNPC Clinical Immersion Plan

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- **Sophomore Year** - all students attend “Preview/Observation Experience” at Wyoming VA
- **Junior year** (*RNPC Cohort students only*)
 - Fall Semester: Medical Surgical I clinicals in both Acute care and Primary Care
 - Winter Semester: Medical Surgical II clinicals in Acute care and Specialty Care
- **Summer Externship** - 12 weeks paid immersion experience at the Wyoming VA
- **Senior Year** (*RNPC Cohort students only*)
 - Fall Semester: OB/Peds - *clinical sites TBA*
 - Winter Semester: Community Nursing & Leadership clinicals at the Wyoming VA
 - Legacy Project: Veteran Centric or Primary Care focused
- **RESULT:** BSN graduates are trained in Primary Care and **READY FOR HIRE!**

Education and Training Focus

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Education & Training for DU BSN-PL students

- Introduce Ambulatory care concepts and treatment guidelines
- Military cultural awareness
- Provisions of healthcare to military veterans

Professional Development for CBOC RNs

- Customized training on key topics to enhance Primary Care nursing knowledge and skills
- Provide evidence based Preceptor Training



PACT RN Enhanced Skills Training

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- Begin with a Needs Assessment developed collaboratively with VA clinic nursing staff
- Build on available leadership training specific to primary care
- Create training to review and enhance knowledge and skills in Advanced Health Assessment for triage and walk-in patients
- Develop simulation scenarios to include veteran care, evidence based treatment guidelines, and best practices of primary care
- Integrate American Academy of Ambulatory Care nurses (AAACN) Scope and Standards

RN Preceptor Training

- Preceptor training for BSN students is different than preceptor training for new hire RN's
- Training is customized to meet the needs of each ambulatory care preceptor group and BSN-PL learner
- Modules use in class instruction, video modules and interactive feedback session
- To encourage development of critical thinking and clinical judgement throughout the clinical immersion, levels of preceptor training will be customized to each level of student's learning.

One Minute Presenter Video



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Questions?