Delivering education to RNs across the Waikato

A new insight into reaching health professional communities for ongoing clinical education

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Project planning and designing phase

- Relationship building between tertiary institution and clinical practice
- Pre and post questionnaires - Wintec
- Setting up of the event – Waikato DHB
Impressions...
Learning engagement
pedagogical approach
Learning community
blended learning

TeKuiti 10 attendees, 1 facilitator

Tokaroa 10 attendees, 1 facilitator

Waikato DHB education centre

Bay of Plenty, phone link

Hamilton 34 attendees, 2 facilitators

Thames 14 attendees 1 facilitator

Taumarunui 7 attendees 1 facilitator
**Pre-WS findings**

- **60%** had used video communication technology (VCT) before.
- **69%** rated they have nil or some knowledge of the use of VCT.
- **31%** rated they have good or expert knowledge of the use of VCT.

*Figure 1: pathways used by RNs to connect with providers & patient groups*

*Figure 2: participants age*
Post - WS findings

89% reported the experience of an education event using VCT was satisfactory or very satisfactory

87.3% reported their understanding of the needs of people living with long term conditions had increase due to the workshop
Qualitative themes

- Technology
- Professional networking
- Content
- Process

Figure 4: collected themes – PDU/Wintec
Improvement Opportunities

• Preparation and education of facilitators in each Hub is vital
• Technology – support team essential
• Usefulness of live mics – authenticity, connectedness
• Impact for presenters
• Case study - in real time
• Whiteboard!!
Future use of virtual technologies for professional development

• Continue to partner with mobile health Wintec and other DHBs and providers

• Develop confidence among the members of the PDU and others

• Identify subjects and processes that will capitalise on what VC can provided
References/resources


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