Top Five Priorities for the College of Health Professions

Maintain and Enhance Existing Programs
- All CHP programs remain accredited.
- Student enrollment in cohort based programs is at capacity.
- Current retention rates for accepted students into the junior-senior professional sequence is 93% and graduate students is 89%. The CHP’s goal is 90% retention rate for undergraduate students and 95% graduate students.
- Continue work to balance faculty workload with program requirements and individual scholarly efforts.

Continue with Program Development
- The first class of students seeking the Doctorate of Physical Therapy (DPT) degree was accepted June, 2008. Second class will be admitted June 2009.
- The School of Health Administration was established and combined the Department of Health Administration and the Department of Health Services. Dr. Michael Nowicki was named Director.
- The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Degree was approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board in January 2009 with a scheduled review by the Texas Board of Nursing in late spring or summer 2009. Target is to admit first class of 100 junior classified students, fall 2010. Dr. Marla Erbin-Roesemann will be named director.
- Explore additional program/degree options for advance study in the disciplines of health administration, physical therapy, respiratory care, health information management, and clinical laboratory science.
- Create and implement organizational changes to include departmental status for the programs of HIM and CLS.
- Facilitate the Administrative Change to move the School of Social Work to the College of Applied Arts.
- Create additional on-line and hybrid course delivery in the programs of health administration, health information management, nursing, respiratory care and social work.
**Increase Faculty Scholarly Activity**

- Specific attention will be given to increase grant submissions with an emphasis on interdisciplinary efforts. The target goal is to increase grant submissions in FY 2009 by at least 60% with 25 grant submissions for this fiscal year.

**Building Initiatives**

- The $36 million nursing building on the Round Rock Higher Education Center site is under construction with expected completion summer 2010.

- Monitor funding support for two additional Health Professions’ buildings on the RRHEC site. Health Professions Building 1 to house Clinical Laboratory Science, Communication Disorders, Physical Therapy and Respiratory Care. Health Professions Building 2 to house Health Administration, Health Information Management, Radiation Therapy, the Dean’s Office, Advising and Research Centers.

**Diversity Initiatives**

- Continue to recruit faculty for both undergraduate and graduate programs giving attention to faculty diversity. Current profile of faculty is 9% Hispanic, 13% Black, 4% Asian/Other, 74% White.

- Facilitate enhancement of student diversity through visits to high schools and community/junior colleges. Student profile is 28% Hispanic, 8% Black, 12% Asian/Other, 60% White.