March 2018 – Updates for Nursing Instructors at NCH

Spring semester is under way...and the season itself is around the corner! I will be happy to leave behind the dark and dreary winter months and enjoy the sunshine and soft breezes that eventually greet us each year. I will be off beginning Monday, March 19 and return on Monday, April 2. I will be spending time with my father as he recovers from a knee replacement. I wish everyone a wonderful spring break and a Happy Easter. Kim Kelly, BSN, RN, CPN

The last updates have been made to the website before its facelift. A date for the unveiling has not been provided but it should be soon. During the changeover, everything should be functional and business as usual.

Please provide the Observation dates needed for summer semester by April 15. To participate in Observational Experiences groups must spend greater than 24 hours per term at Nationwide Children’s. One person per school needs to request the observations needed for all clinical groups from their school. That same person will receive the assignments for their school and is then responsible to share the assignments with fellow instructors from their school. Requests from individual instructors are unable to be accommodated.

- To request observations: email the specific dates and how many observations needed for each date to Kim Kelly
- A faculty person must be on Nationwide Children’s Hospital property at all times when students are in Observational Experiences
- Students must know how to reach their supervising faculty member

As a reminder – please do not take students on tours of units to which they are not assigned. Nationwide Children’s is a State-of-the-Art facility and many students want to see as much of it as possible. However, we must consider the patients and their families first. Having groups of people traipse through the area where they are receiving health care can be disconcerting, distracting and intrusive. Other than scheduled Observational Experiences, please refrain from visiting areas such as the PICUs, NICUs and ED.

Be sure to Save the Date for this year’s Dean’s, Directors and Faculty annual meeting which will be held on August 9, 2018. Faculty Development Day has been moved to later in the year and has been scheduled for August 3, 2018. Watch for more details toward the end of spring semester.