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The **Greater Cincinnati Health Council** is a not-for-profit member service organization dedicated to working cooperatively with hospitals and other health care providers in Southwestern Ohio, Northern Kentucky and Southeastern Indiana to promote high quality, cost-effective patient care.

Through this long-standing commitment to Greater Cincinnati's well-being, the Council has earned recognition as the local source for information regarding area hospitals and other providers, as well as the complex issues facing the health care industry.

LIVE SURGERY

October 2007

Students interested in health care can witness a live surgery at the Health Council's fourth annual "Live Surgery Event" The program is scheduled for October 4, 2007. Registration begins Fall 2007

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Greetings from the Health Council

Welcome to the Greater Cincinnati Health Council's Health Careers Newsletter!

THEO NOTES is sent to Tristate schools in the fall and spring to share the highlights of health care career news!

According to the Bureau of Labor and Statistics, health care occupations are projected to grow for several reasons:

- The number of people in older age groups will grow much faster than the total population between 2004 and 2014. As a result, the

demand for health care will increase.

- Industry growth will occur as a result of the shift from inpatient to less expensive outpatient and home health care because of improvements in diagnostic tests and surgical procedures.
- Many new job openings will result from a need to replace work-



ers due to retirements and high job turnover

There is a need in our community for your students to consider a career in health care. In this newsletter you will find several events to expose your students to health care careers.

Help your students prepare for their future by passing on these exciting opportunities!

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6th Annual Nurse Camp at Mercy Anderson

June 11-13, 2007

The **Mercy Hospital Anderson Nurse Camp** is a FREE program designed to expose high school students to nursing and allied health professions.

Activities include: Hospital Tour, Health Care Professionals Presentation, "Build a Skeleton" Activity, UC Air Care Presentation, Pizza Luncheon, Emergency Medical Services Presentation, Job Shadowing Rotations, Casting and Splinting Skills Stations, First Aide and Care of Emergencies, Nursing School Presentation and more!

Contact Rachel at RLDattilo@health-partners.org to request a Nurse Camp Application/Survey.

Space is limited so sign up now!





Health Careers Expo 2007

Save the Date!

THEO

Tristate Health Care Education Opportunities

The Greater Cincinnati Health Council is updating the THEO web site! The new site will provide students with valuable steps to health care career planning. You will be notified when it is complete!

The first annual Health Careers Expo will be held at the Cintas Center on October 30, 2007 from 9:00 am-1:30 pm.

Schools will be invited to bring 25 chaperoned students to either the 9:00-11:00 morning session or the 11:30-1:30 afternoon session.

Health Occupation Booths will be sponsored by

Tristate hospitals that will "simulate" the occupation and each booth will include a "hands-on" activity for the students to "touch" the career.

Tristate Colleges will be attending and will provide information regarding their health care career programs.

Space may be limited for this event and reservation information will be sent to area high schools through

the THEO NOTES newsletter and advertised in the Cincinnati Enquirer, Health Care Classifieds section of the Sunday paper. Reservations will open September 1, 2007.

Remember to
SAVE THE DATE!



Job Shadowing: A Vital Step in Career Planning

Are you a high school student or an adult interested in a health care career, but you need more information?

The Health Council's job shadowing program is the ideal way for potential health care professionals to get a behind-the-scenes look at the daily responsibilities of their career choice!

Job Shadowing is an experience offered to students and adults who have a definite interest in a health care career.

During the job shadowing experience, the shadower is paired with a health care professional (Nurse, Radiology Technician, Pharmacist, Respiratory Therapist, Laboratory Technician, etc.). The student is assigned to observe the professional as they continue to do their job. This experience can be anytime between 3 and 8 hours in length. Participants must be at least 16 years of age to participate.

The first step to job shadowing is....complete an application by visiting www.gchc.org!



Spotlight on Radiation Therapy

RADIATION THERAPISTS IN DEMAND!

Responsibilities: Radiation Therapists use machines to administer radiation treatments to cancer patients.

Education: Employers generally require applicants to complete an associate or a bachelor's degree program in radiation therapy. Individuals also may become qualified by completing an associate or a bachelor's degree program in radiography and then complete a 12-month certificate program in radiation therapy.

Job Outlook: Good opportunities are expected. Applicants who are certified and who possess a bachelor's or an associate degree or a certificate in radiation therapy should have the best prospects.

Income: The median annual earning of radiation therapists were \$57,700 in May 2004.

**This information was provided by the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Occupational Outlook Handbook at www.bls.gov.*