

Hartford Geriatric Nursing Initiative John A. Hartford Foundation

Independent Evaluation
by The Measurement Group



Data Briefing 05 Hartford Centers of Geriatric Nursing Excellence: Linkages with a National Network of Partners

The Hartford Centers of Geriatric Nursing Excellence

- In 2001, the John A. Hartford Foundation funded five Schools of Nursing in research-intensive universities as Hartford Centers of Geriatric Nursing Excellence [HCGNEs]
 - The Foundation utilized a highly competitive application process
- The five HCGNEs are as follows:
 - Oregon Health and Science University – focuses on developing best practice interventions to enhance geriatric care, building capacity to provide geriatric nursing training, and enhancing nursing scholars’ research skills
 - University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences College of Nursing – focuses on the objectives of improving geriatric nursing practice, increasing academic geriatric nursing capacity and nurse leadership, and enhancing research in the field
 - University of California San Francisco School of Nursing – has developed and implemented several student recruitment strategies, with special focus on minority student recruitment, as well as, enhancing students’ interdisciplinary learning and leadership development opportunities
 - University of Iowa College of Nursing – promotes geriatric research, participates in the policy arena, enhances nursing education, and geriatric nursing practice in clinical settings
 - University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing – developed a faculty consortium to oversee goals of expanding the science of geriatric nursing, enhancing the care delivery systems, and promoting educational programs and student learning
- The initial funding five-year funding cycle [2001-2005] has been renewed [2006-2101]

Hartford Centers of Geriatric Nursing Excellence: Formal and Informal Linkages [1 of 3]

- Linkages are made between the Hartford Centers of Geriatric Nursing Excellence and other institutions for the purpose of advancing training, practice, research and policy around geriatric nursing
- Forming linkages expands the Hartford Centers of Geriatric Nursing Excellence's network of influence and collaborators, and allows them to build their internal infrastructure to further increase training of geriatric nurses
- Between 2001 and 2005, the Hartford Centers of Geriatric Nursing Excellence have formed or strengthened linkages with a total of 333 other institutions, including other Universities or Centers, providers, and government or policy-related institutions

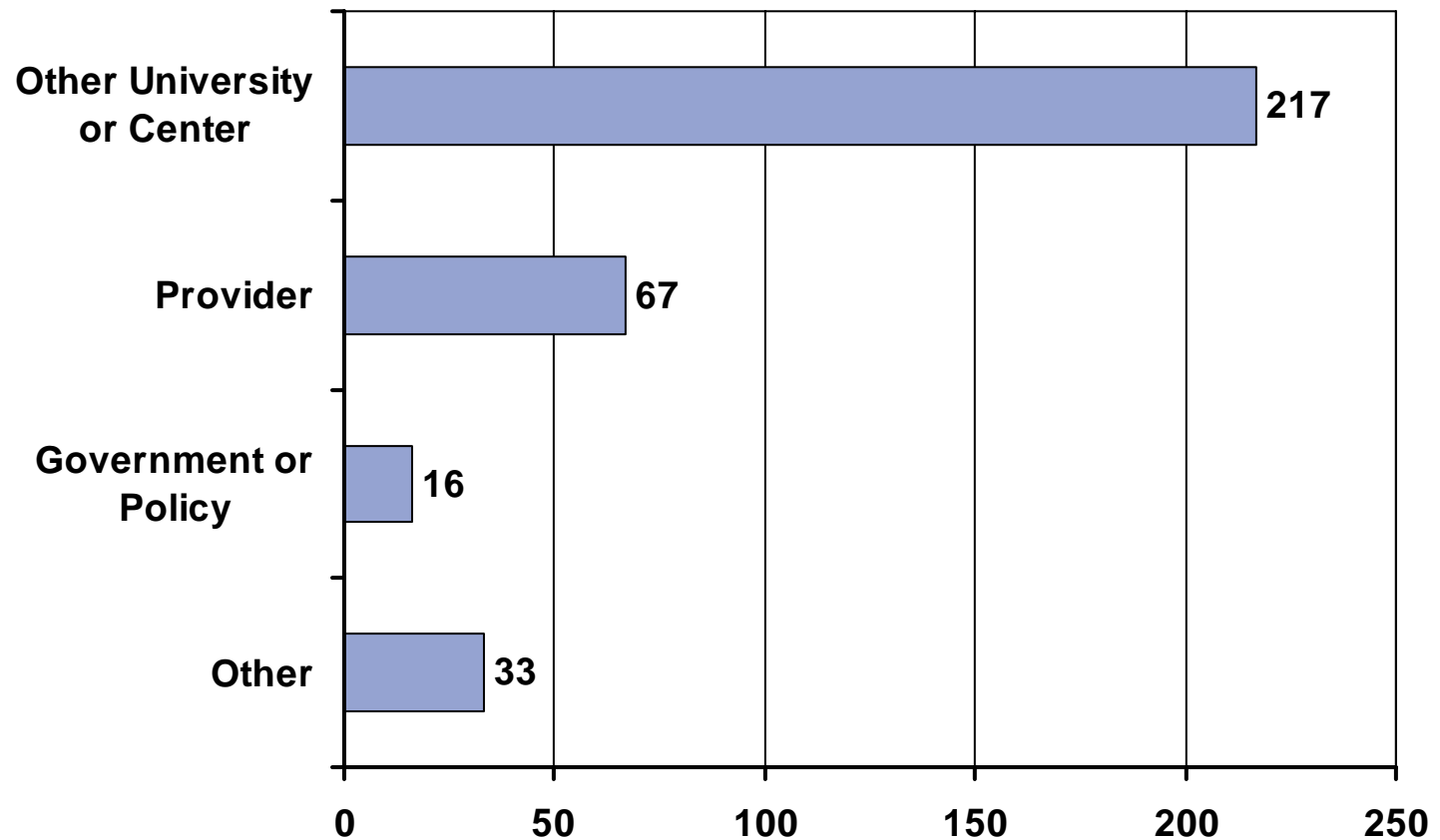
Hartford Centers of Geriatric Nursing Excellence: Formal and Informal Linkages [2 of 3]

- The most commonly reported outcomes of linkages include
 - Increases in student practicum sites
 - Collaborative research opportunities
 - Recruitment prospects
 - Visibility for the Centers of Geriatric Nursing Excellence
- Centers reported that developing and sustaining linkages are extremely time-consuming and sometimes do not yield desired outcomes
- Nonetheless, the Hartford Centers of Geriatric Nursing Excellence indicated that the development of linkages and partnerships are essential for promoting nursing leadership and research to a wide national and international audience

Hartford Centers of Geriatric Nursing Excellence: Formal and Informal Linkages [3 of 3]

- 217 linkages were made or strengthened with other Universities or Centers
- 67 new linkages were made with providers in order to enhance Centers' capacity to provide educational and research opportunities for students and faculty
- 16 linkages were made or enhanced with the government or policy agencies, many of which potentially can lead to long-term changes in the health care system
- Strong, collaborative linkages were among the five Centers for Geriatric Nursing Excellence
 - These linkages produced a large number of information sharing sessions, joint agenda, and collaborative programs

Number of Linkages Between Hartford Centers of Geriatric Nursing Excellence and Other Institutions



Independent Evaluator's Conclusion

- An “ideal” Center of Geriatric Nursing Excellence model is evolving from the diversity of the approaches used in the five Centers; the model is potentially transportable to many other schools of nursing that wish to improve their geriatric nursing programs
- Linkages to service providers, policy makers, health agencies, other educational institutions and other Centers of Geriatric Nursing Excellence are a major part of this “ideal” model
- While developing and maintaining successful linkages are time consuming activities, each of the Centers has indicated that the effort spent in such activities greatly strengthens all Center programs and maximizes the outcomes and impact of the Center

Selected Oregon Health and Science University Linkages

- Center for Healthy Aging at Oregon Health and Science University
- Holgate Center
- Idaho State University
- Klamath Regional Rehabilitation Center
- Michigan State University
- Pacific Lutheran University
- University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences
- University of California at San Francisco
- University of Iowa
- University of Oregon, Ashland, School of Nursing
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Washington, Seattle
- Washington State University
- Asante Health System in Oregon
- CareOregon
- Kaiser Permanente
- Portland Veterans Affairs Medical Center

Selected University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences Linkages

- Arkansas Aging Institute
- Auburn University – Montgomery
- Clemson University
- Community Health Centers of Arkansas
- Delta Area Health Education Center
- Duke University
- Emory University
- Hartford Institute for Geriatric Nursing
- Oregon Health and Science University
- South Arkansas Center on Aging
- Tennessee State University School of Nursing
- Texarkana Regional Center on Aging
- University of Alabama at Birmingham
- University of California at San Francisco
- University of Iowa
- University of Maryland
- University of North Carolina at Greensboro
- University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill
- University of Pennsylvania
- South Arkansas Area Agency on Aging
- St. Michael's Senior Health
- White River Rural Health Center

Selected University of California San Francisco Linkages

- California Medical Review, Inc.
- Center for Research and Innovation in Patient Care
- Dominican University
- Hartford Institute for Geriatric Nursing
- Oregon Health and Science University
- Queensland University of Technology, Australia
- Sanford Center on Aging, University of Nevada, Reno
- University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences
- University of California at Berkeley
- University of Hawaii at Manoa
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Utrecht, the Netherlands
- University of Washington
- Laguna Honda Hospital
- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
- California Nursing Outcomes Coalition Partners to Reduce Patient Falls Project
- Elder Care Alliance

Selected University of Iowa Linkages

- Duke University
- Oregon Health and Science University
- University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences
- University of California at San Francisco
- University of Illinois – Chicago
- University of Melbourne in Australia
- University of Minnesota
- University of Pennsylvania
- University in Taiwan
- University of Virginia
- Washington University
- HomeSafe
- Liberty Country Living
- Mercy Medical Center in Mason City, Iowa
- Iowa Department of Elder Affairs
- Senator Grassley, US Congress
- Senator Harkin, US Congress
- Vicki Lensing, State Representative
- Iowa Assisted Living Association
- Iowa Health Care Association

Selected University of Pennsylvania Linkages

- Abramson Center for Jewish Life, The Polisher Institute
- Alzheimer's Association
- Brown University Center for Gerontology and Health Care Research
- Burapha University, Thailand
- Hartford Institute for Geriatric Nursing
- Karolinska Institute, Sweden
- Mahidol University, Thailand
- Massachusetts General Hospital and Brigham and Women's Hospital
- New Jersey Department of Health Senior Services
- Oregon Health and Science University
- University of Bremen, Germany
- University of California at San Francisco
- University of Hong Kong
- University of Iowa
- Tokyo Medical and Dental University
- Aetna Corporation
- Evercare
- National Kidney Foundation of Singapore

Appendix

Background and Technical Information

Independent Evaluation of the Hartford Geriatric Nursing Initiative by The Measurement Group

- The Measurement Group is a program evaluation and applied research consulting firm with offices located in Los Angeles, California, and Chapel Hill, North Carolina, and a national practice
- The Measurement Group specializes in the evaluation of health and social services programs, especially those programs targeted toward vulnerable members of society and supported through public funds and charitable contributions
 - Areas of interest include medical and social services for the elderly, mental health services, substance abuse programs, prevention, HIV/AIDS services, eliminating disparities in access to services, and training for healthcare and social service professionals
- The Measurement Group has been retained by the John A. Hartford Foundation to evaluate the component programs of the Hartford Geriatric Nursing Initiative between January 2001 and December 2007
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Caveats for this Data Briefing

- While linkages are presented as “equally important” in this Data Briefing, it is clear that some are very intense and time-consuming partnerships, while others tend to be more information sharing linkages
 - This report does not differentiate between high and low intensity linkages
- Because partnerships are often dependent upon the personal relationships and shared vision of key staff at the Centers of Geriatric Nursing Excellence and the linked agency, linkage patterns tend to change significantly over time as key personnel in the linked agency change

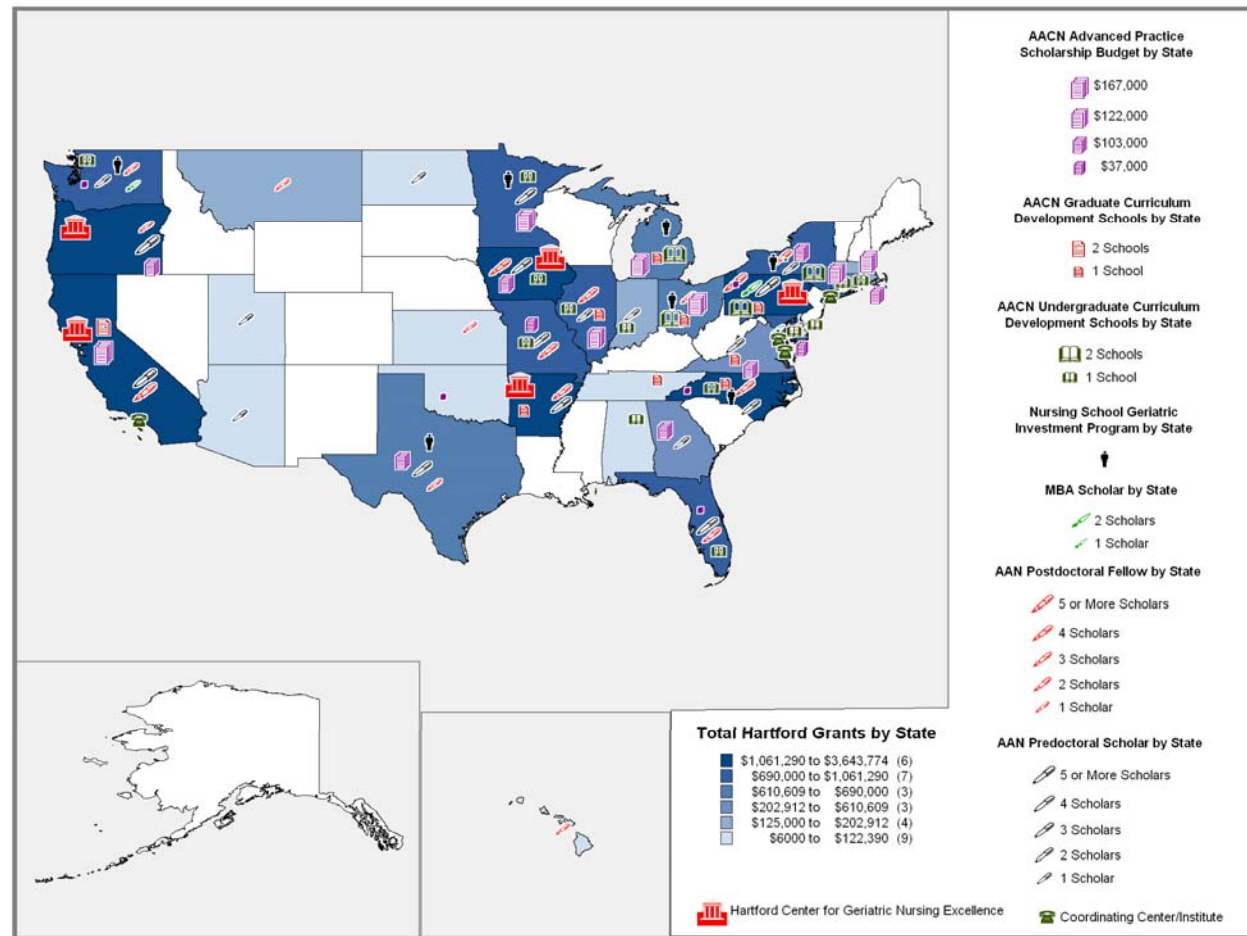
Scope of the Hartford Geriatric Nursing Initiative

- 1 Initiative [Geriatric Nursing Initiative]
- 31 States
- 66 Schools of Nursing/Universities
- 3 Coordinating/Dissemination/Policy Centers
 - American Academy of Nursing [AAN]
 - American Association of Colleges of Nursing [AACN]
 - Hartford Institute for Geriatric Nursing [HIGN]

Major Projects of the Hartford Geriatric Nursing Initiative

- AAN-Administered Hartford BAGNC Scholars and Fellows
 - Pre-Doctoral, Post-Doctoral, MBA
- Hartford Centers of Geriatric Nursing Excellence [HCGNE]
 - Oregon Health & Sciences University, University of Arkansas for Medical Science, University of California San Francisco, University of Iowa, and University of Pennsylvania
- Nursing School Geriatric Investment Program [NSGIP]
 - Case Western University, University of Michigan, University of Minnesota, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, University of Texas, University of Rochester, and University of Washington
- AACN-Administered Enhancing Gerontological/Geriatric Nursing Education for Baccalaureate and Graduate Programs
 - 20 Schools of Nursing received funding through AACN for undergraduate programs
 - 10 Schools of Nursing received funding through AACN for graduate programs
- AACN-Administered Creating Careers in Geriatric Advanced Practice Nursing
 - 23 Schools of Nursing received funding through AACN in the first cohort
 - 18 Schools of Nursing receive funding through AACN in the second cohort
- Hartford Institute for Geriatric Nursing
 - Multi-faceted education, policy, and research center
 - HIGN/NYU Scholars
- Leadership Conference
- Coordinating Center at the American Academy of Nursing

Resources Allocated by State to the Hartford Geriatric Nursing Initiative



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