Correctional Health Care: Local, Regional and International Collaborations

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Objectives

- To describe the nursing activities of building capacity and networks in Correctional Care and Criminal Justice.

- To describe programs and activities completed in local, regional, and international settings.
Massachusetts, USA
Clinical Examples-Local
Research Studies

- **Peer Education**
  - Relationship centered care-increases knowledge and healthy behaviors

- **Mobile Outreach**
  - State surveillance and resources required

- **Labyrinth Walking**
  - Impact of a walking curriculum on blood pressure and quality of life

- **Prison Parenting**
Collaboration - Regional
Regional Examples

- Consultations- with three other county jails
  - Peer education, parenting and obesity

- Nurse Education
  - Filmed research segment at Center for Correctional Health Networks at University of Connecticut

- Joining Consortia
  - Affiliated with the 5 Campuses of Umass System to form a Criminal Justice and Health Research Group
Consultation and Collaboration

- *Custody and Caring* Conferences, Saskatoon, SK, CA (8 countries represented)
  - Paper presenter 2013, 2015
  - Visiting Professor October 2014
  - Student, Faculty, Community, Forensic Centre, Regional Psychiatric Hospital

- Veriditas Facilitator Training
  - Ottawa, Canada 2009 Training and Certification
  - Chartres France, 2015, Recertification
    - International Colleagues - Canada, UK, Italy
Research Examples

- Abstract Review Committee *Custody & Caring* Conference 2015

- Reviewer for *The Journal of Forensic Nursing*

- Consultation with Regional Psychiatric Centre in Saskatoon, SK, CA for labyrinth walking program

- Consultation with a Senior Village in Saskatoon on a labyrinth construction proposal
International Collaborations
Next Steps

- Nurture and develop research performance sites and collaborations in Canada and western Europe
- Continue professional collaborations and capacity building
- Develop ongoing sensitivities to various cultures
- Disseminate successes to add to the knowledge base
Questions?

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