

# Professional Advancement Model/ Clinical Ladder

for Advanced Practice Providers

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### **AGENDA**



- Background & Rationale
- Process
  - 30 minutes
- Break-Out Session
  - 30 minutes



# **BACKGROUND & RATIONALE**

- NP/PA Acute Care Leadership Summit 2011
- Seven (7) targeted areas of focus for Advanced Practice Leaders:
- Professional Advancement
- 2. Performance Evaluation
- 3. Billing
- 4. Mentoring/Preceptorship
- Administration
- 6. Orientation
- 7. Outcomes





## **BACKGROUND & RATIONALE**

- Advanced Practice Providers (APPs):
  - Require Growth & Development
  - Require Recognition
  - Require Overall Investment
    - Satisfaction
    - Retention
- Nursing has developed a model for this:
  - Professional Advancement Program/Pathway
  - Clinical Ladder





### **BACKGROUND & RATIONALE**

The role of the healthcare provider (APP; MD) is different from the role of the bedside nurse (RN). We need to develop guidelines and criteria for a unique clinical ladder, specific to APPs

Do models already exist?

What NURSING components/variables are applicable?

Should PAs have a separate ladder from APRNs?

What does this ladder start to look like?



# Timeline

**2011**: 4<sup>th</sup> annual summit participants identify "Career Advancement" as a key topic to focus on

**2011**: Akron Children's Hospital & Stanford Hospital & Clinics partner to move forward with interest group



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- Initial conference call with interested Advanced Practice administrators/leaders
- Identified four (4) sub-groups:
- 1. Survey
- 2. Literature
- 3. Components/Variables
- 4. Outreach









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## Survey

Develop brief (10-15 question) survey regarding APP-specific clinical ladder

#### Literature

Find all applicable and relevant publications around APP clinical ladders

APP ladders, nursing ladders, physician ladders, career development/advancement, etc.

# **Components/Variables**

Identify reoccurring/thematic elements of the domains and "rungs" of the ladder

#### Outreach

Incorporate other AMCs and interested leaders into project



## **Survey Questions**

- Do you have a professional advancement model, or other advanced practice advancement program, at your institution?
- Are you supportive of your institution developing a model?
- What components should be considered as part of this model?
  - Clinical Practice (clinical practice and leadership, professional membership and certifications beyond advanced practice certification)
  - Involvement in providing education via clinical or educational institution, or at local, state and national organizations
  - Publications and research involvement
  - Leadership in professional and community organizations (institutional, local, state and national level)
  - Community Service/Health promotion
  - Other



# **Survey Questions (cont.)**

- Who should evaluate achievement of criteria for advancement in a model?
- Should participation in an advancement model be mandatory?
- What should the incentive for involvement be? (e.g., monetary, education funds)
- How often should advancement be reviewed?
- Should there be a time requirement (prior to advancing to a new level)?
- Would an advancement model for practitioners be beneficial to your institution?



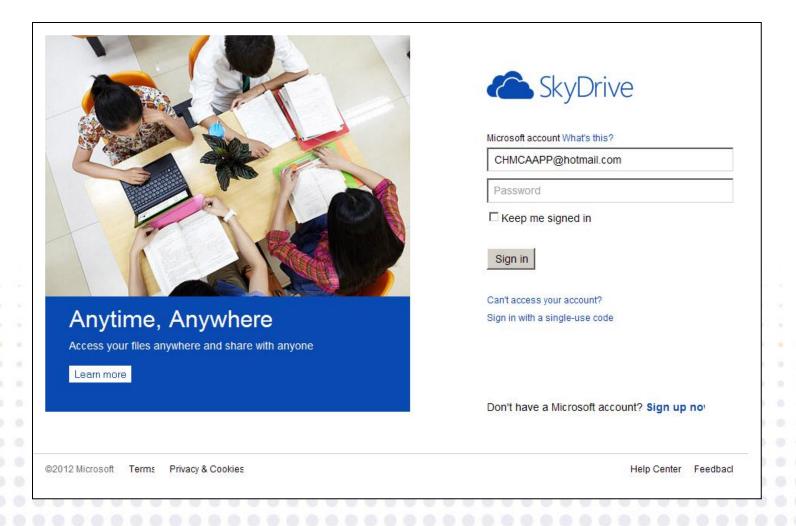
# Survey (example)

Professional Advancement Model
Introduction and Instructions
We are asking Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants to complete this survey so that we may gather information regarding a professional advancement models model in place at your institution, this information will help us see what models are in place. Your time and input is greatly appreciated!  Thanks  Ann Stratton, RN, MSN, CNP, CPHON  Pediatric Hematology, Oncology and  Bone Marrow Transplant Nurse Practitioner  Akron Children's Hospital  Office (330) 543-8943  Pager (330) 920-5563
<b>★1. My institution has a professional advancement model or other advanced practice advancement program.</b>
○ Yes
○ No
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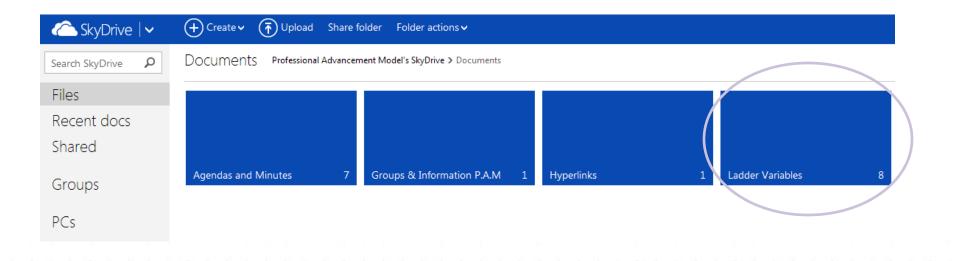


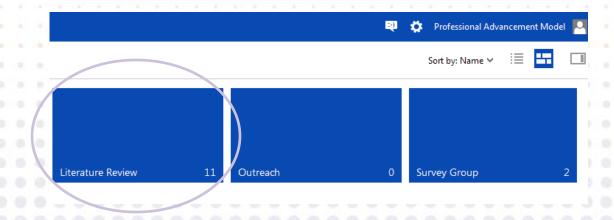
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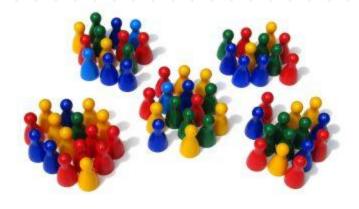
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- Lutes Neonatal Network 1998
- Clements & Parrinello Nursing Management 1998
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- Rowell et al The Nurse Practitioner 2008
- Kenny et al American Academy of Nurse Practitioners 2008
- Doerksen Professional Nursing 2010
- Pye & Green Continuing Education in Nursing 2011
- Frankel et al Academic Medicine 2011





# **Components/Variables**

- Clinical Practice
- Clinical Education
- Research & Publication
- Leadership
- Leadership (Institutional)
- Abstracts/Presentations
- Community Service/Health Promotion





### Some models exist...

- University of Rochester
- Cleveland Clinic\*
- Kaiser Permanente
- Rainbow Babies & Children's
- Parkland Health















### **BREAK-OUT SESSION**

- 1. Because of training/role differences, do APRNs and PAs need different components/variables? Do there need to be two (2) separate ladders?
- 2. What other components/variables are important here? What's not important?
- 3. How many "rungs" to you anticipate seeing?
- 4. Are the evaluative aspects of nurses via professional advancement models/clinical ladders really different than APPs?