

TOPIC: IN SUPPORT OF INTERDISCIPLINARY EDUCATION

SUBMITTED BY: Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing

WHEREAS, interdisciplinary education is defined as members of more than one healthcare profession learning interactively together; and

WHEREAS, an interdisciplinary approach improves patient outcomes and assists with overcoming the challenges of the increasingly complex healthcare environment; and

WHEREAS, early interdisciplinary education fosters collaborative relationships and appreciation for the contributions of various health professions; and

WHEREAS, students enrolled in various health profession programs rarely have contact with one another and few, if any, learning experiences designed to foster dynamic relationships; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the National Student Nurses Association (NSNA) encourage its constituents to advocate for the incorporation of interdisciplinary education in all health professional schools; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the NSNA publish an article in *Imprint* about the benefits of interdisciplinary education and the importance of building these relationships, if feasible; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the NSNA provide workshops during the MidYear Conference and the Annual Convention concerning interdisciplinary education, if feasible; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the NSNA send a copy of this resolution to the American Association of Colleges of Nursing, the Credentialing Center for Nursing Education, the National Council of State Boards of Nursing, the National League for Nursing, the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, the American Medical Association, the Student National Medical Association, the Association of American Medical Colleges, the Council on Education for Public Health, the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education, the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy, the Council of Social Work Education, the National Organization for Associate Degree Nursing, the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, the American Association of Clinical Pathologists, and any others deemed appropriate by the NSNA Board of Directors.