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# **RAIN Rhythms**

Recruitment/Retention of American Indians Into Nursing

# Fall 20219/Spring 2020/Summer 2020

#### Fall 2019-BSN Spring 2020 - BSN



Kayli Jolllie **Turtle Mountain** 



**Devin Counts Turtle Mountain** 



Taylor Durand Montauk



Krista Miller **Bois Forte** 



Jennifer Rusten **Turtle Mountain** 

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Graduates

#### Spring 2020—Graduate Students



Beth Mittet Doddato DNP White Earth



**FNP** 

White Earth

Ethan Thomas FNP **Turtle Mountain** 





Brandon Anderson FNP **Bois Forte** 

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#### Summer 2020 RN-BSN



Tricia BadMilk Pine Ridge



Arlette Hager Cheyenne River



Frances Morgan Pone Ridge



Kelly McGrady



# Fall 2019

## Kayli's Graduation







Fall 2019 OPEN HOUSE







Kayli Jollie and family

#### FALL 2019 No Excuses Program

No Excuses Program Group Photo





**No Excuses Program Activities** 



Beading



Catch Phrase

# **No Excuses Program Activities**

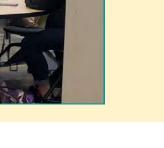


Hand Games





Student Panel





# **No Excuses Program Activities**

# Speakers



# Fall 2019 ORIENTATION — We begin a new academic year.



2019 Orientation for pre-nursing and nursing students



Pre-Nursing Fall 2019

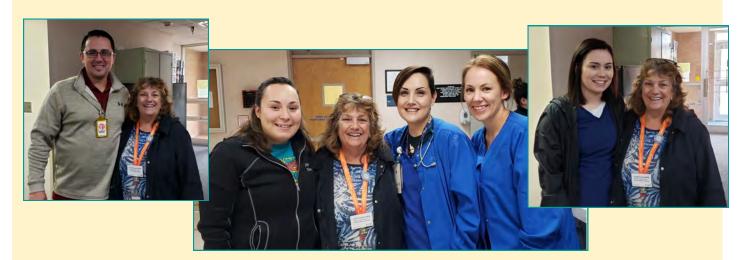


#### **VISITOR FROM AUSTRALIA—AUNTIE LEONE SMITH**

Visit to Spirit Lake with Aunty Leone October 2-3, 2019







We had an awesome morning seeing our RAIN alum at Spirit Lake and the afternoon was just as awesome!! Aunty Leone Smith, RN, Aboriginal nurse, from Queensland, Australia was able to meet so many of our RAIN alums from Turtle Mountain working at the Belcourt IHS hospital at Turtle Mountain! A very special thank you to Rhea DeCoteau, MS, RN for taking time out of her busy schedule to be our host and the rest of our busy nurses giving us a few minutes of their time.



# **Australian Visitor Aunty Leone (continued)**





RAIN staff and students along with the College of Nursing Dean, faculty and staff welcomed an Aboriginal nurse, Aunty Leone Smith R.N. to learn more about the RAIN Program. It was an awesome day of sharing!

RAIN staff and students with Aunty Leone



#### FALL 2019 Rez-cruitment

Each year, RAIN Program Director Deb Wilson and Program Coordinator Barb Anderson and other RAIN staff traverse across Indian Country in seven states, visiting with youth and families at reservations and communities. During these recruiting drives, the team also visits RAIN alumni now serving their home communities. October 21-22, 2019





Arapahoe High School



Arapahoe Health Center



Wind River Health Care, Ethete



Fort Washakie Health Center



Monday, October 21st, the recruiters presented to high school students at St Stephens in Riverton, WY, Arapaho HS, Ft Washakie HS, and Wyoming Indian HS in Ethete. On Tuesday, October 22, they all had booths at the Career Fair at Ethete. Elle handled the booth. Sonya did breakout sessions on nursing and RAIN in Native Americans in the Medical Fields.



#### **Rez-cruitment**



We stopped in Rapid Coty, SD to visit with alum Tricia Badmilk



We finished off Wednesday morning by stopping at the Rapid City IHS/Oyate Health Center and visited with our RAIN BSN alum, Melissa Parisien, RN, working for IHS.





We stopped at NANEC in Rapid City. A sister support program for American Indian nursing students attending SDSU. Their director, Bev Warne, RN was one of the directors of the previous Section 112 programs at Arizona State University (ASUN). She is now in home area working with nursing students. October 23, 2019



RAIN spent Wednesday evening with our Pine Ridge RN-BSN students, who work at the Pine Ridge IHS hospital. We met with three of our four students. We are proud of our nurses and their dedication to their work and education!! Virginia and Jaelyn Brewer

We stopped back Thursday morning at the Pine Ridge hospital to leave RAIN and CNPD materials with the nurse educator. Who did we find? Our RAIN alum, Jackie Miller, the new nurse educator. It was a wonderful surprise! Another surprise, one of our RAIN alum, Turtle Mountain IHS nurses, Misty Poitra helping out with CMS preparation. It was a wonderful morning!



#### Fall 2019 Recruitment





Thursday afternoon brought us to the Rosebud IHS hospital in Rosebud, SD. We were able to visit with our RAIN BSN alum, Daisy Riley, RN, working on her home reservation! So proud! She is wearing her RAIN pin, yay! We were able to meet a nurse, the DON,, who is the daughter of one of our RAIN BSN alums. So awesome!



We stopped at the Eagle Butte IHS hospital and

visited with our

RN-BSN student, who works on her home reservation. She will be graduating August 2020! She is a great recruiter! We met with other RNs looking at pursuing their RN-BSN and a couple CNAs looking at our traditional BSN. They have a great cheerleader in their group! It was a

#### Fall 2019 NIEA Conference





Deb and Barb's vehicle experienced a flat tire on the way to the NIEA Conference October 2019



# **RAIN ACTIVITIES**

Students collaborating and providing support for each other Fall 2019















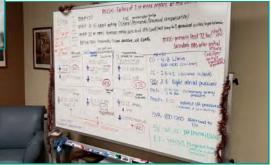


# **RAIN STUDENT ACTIVITIES**





Nursing students studying in the RAIN quiet room







# **SPRING, 2020**

As of March 16, 2020, all activities, both within RAIN and oncampus, were suspended. Before the pandemic, the following activities took place.

Student Orientation January 13, 2020







# Lamp of Learning January 23, 2020



Tricia Bad Milk



Hunter Solie



Hayley Warren



Layne Miller



Sierra Rensch



MacKenzie Hassler



LaToya Delorme



Danacia Greywater





#### Spring 2020

Leech Lake College Career & Fair Rez-cruitment, February 6-7. 2020



On the way to the Leech Lake College & Career Fair, in Walker, MN, RAIN stopped at the Cass Lake IHS hospital. They met with the Director of Nursing, RAIN alumni and friends. It is wonderful to see our nurses and nurse practitioners taking care of our people! The career fair brought 150-200 students from high schools in the surrounding area. The hospitality was awesome!



All the RAIN staff and MHA Education Pathways staff are available to assist through emails and phone contact during this time. We want everyone to be safe and stay healthy. We will all be challenged in the days, weeks, months ahead as we learn to adjust to learning and working remotely. Just know, you can reach out for assistance.

### Sigma Theta Tau Induction Spring 2020

Sigma Theta Tau's, a nursing honor society, mission is to support learning, knowledge and professional development of nurses. The Eta Upsilon chapter [at UND] seeks to provide support to future and current nurses who are interested in promoting scholarship, service and excellence in practice.

Sigma Theta Tau International: Eta Upsilon Chapter (UND, 2020, para. 1). Sigma Theta Tau's Eta Upsilon chapter at UND held its induction of new members on May 13, 2020 at 3:00 pm . Congratulations to Jessie on her induction.



Jessie Kier





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