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- The Oregon Public Nursing Leadership Institute has started its 5th year. The OPHNLI was designed to build and improve leadership skills of public health nurse scholars through a yearlong experiential and learning program for emerging public health nursing leaders. It is based on three central components: a mentoring relationship, a leadership learning project, and public health and leadership content areas. Evaluation validated that those components were important motivators for nurses as they considered applying to the Institute and for supervisors as they released nurses to participate.
- PH Nurses and Oregon Health Sciences University in collaboration with PH Nurses developed a resource web site:
<http://www.ohsu.edu/library/publichealth/>
- Continued work about emergency preparedness including Strategic National Stockpile exercise and Pandemic Influenza planning.
- A number of field nursing services are working to understand impacts that might be coming if there are changes in Medicaid targeted case management.
- A number of county health departments have become or planning to become an FQHC or a look alike.
- The Oregon Consortium for Nursing Education partners community colleges, and public and private university schools of nursing to address nursing shortage by a shared curriculum culminating in a bachelor's degree. Nine of the fourteen community colleges are participating.
- We are exploring the use of video conferencing to assure nurse participation across the state in training and networking activities.
- We hope to begin soon creation of a public health nurse database.
- The Oregon Public Health Association came close to folding, but a number of public health nurses stepped up to save the organization.
- Association of Oregon Public Health Nursing Supervisors has begun a supervisory forum at the monthly meetings.