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Office of the President
June 14, 2005

Members, Board of Trustees:

CHANGE IN NAME OF A DEGREE

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees approve a change in the name of the College of Health Sciences' Bachelor of Health Science degree in Health Services Management to Bachelor of Health Science Degree in Clinical Leadership and Management, effective in the fall 2005 semester.

Background: The Department of Health Services Management, formerly located in the College of Health Sciences, but recently moved to the College of Public Health, administered the Health Services Management baccalaureate degree program. The Bachelor of Health Science degree in Health Services Management was a two-year, full-time program that admitted approximately 24 full-time students per year. Enrollment was suspended in the 2001-02 academic year. The proposed revision is part of an agreement that the College of Health Sciences would maintain the degree program. The revised program will be geared to associate degree health care professionals who have a minimum of one year's post-degree work experience in a health care setting and who are interested in enrolling in a baccalaureate degree program focusing on clinical leadership and management education and training. While these health care professionals have sufficient training in their individual health disciplines, most are without formal academic education and training in clinical leadership and management. Classes will be offered to accommodate working students. Distance learning sites will be developed to provide interested students with an opportunity to enroll in the program.

Students who graduate from the Clinical Leadership and Management Program will be able to assume greater responsibilities in their current jobs, be more qualified for job promotions, or be able to continue their studies at a graduate level. This program will help provide more educated allied health care professionals for Kentucky communities and their patients, in turn, will be better served.

This proposal has the approval of the Undergraduate Council, Senate Council, and University Senate. The Interim Provost of the university supports this recommendation.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____