

UAA College of Health 2013 Strategic Planning Strategic Directions Recommendations Prioritization

Recommendation 2. Promote a wide range of collaborative opportunities. Collaboration is not an activity; it's a culture that promotes and encourages working together with others. The COH should seek more opportunities to collaborate on research, curriculum, service, workforce development, partnering with business, industry, agencies and our communities.

Recommendation 5. Fully develop career pathways. Understanding that successful pathways to careers begin early in life and extend beyond higher education, the COH should proactively engage potential students, provide a multifaceted and student-centric advising program for UAA students, ensure that UAA graduates meet professional standards, and provide ongoing professional development and continuing education opportunities.

Recommendation 4. Take a leadership role in health research. Capitalizing upon the COH commitment to collectively address health research, the COH should develop a shared vision of the domains within which the college can collectively work. This would support an effort to build a strong cross-functional interdisciplinary health research capability.

Recommendation 3. Innovate. The challenges and opportunities at our doorstep will require creative solutions. The COH should become the interdisciplinary convener, collaborator and incubator as new directions and solutions are developed in a culture that embraces original thought.

Recommendation 1. Develop an interdisciplinary curriculum. COH units should collaborate on innovative ways to foster common core and interdisciplinary curriculums.

Recommendation 7. Enhance workforce development efforts. We need to fully engage our community partners to ensure we understand workforce needs and trends so that we can provide curriculums and courses that meet those needs. This includes aligning student expectations with those needs and providing training and professional development programs that support them.

Recommendation 10. Value teaching, research and service. The COH recognizes the need to allow its faculty members the flexibility and support to meet their own professional goals while fulfilling the COH mission. Teaching, research and service are linked and are equally important in fulfilling the UAA mission.

Recommendation 6. Utilize technology to drive opportunities and innovation. We need a robust technological infrastructure that provides the capacity, training and support for applications such as distance learning, blended courses, clinical simulation, and student, faculty, staff and administrative support.

Recommendation 8. Promote collaborative leadership. COH leadership should take a visible and active role in supporting, promoting, driving and rewarding COH priorities and opportunities, including the development of supportive and enabling policies.

Recommendation 9. Promote scholarship. The COH should understand and promote scholarship (teaching and learning) based upon national trends and practices and should recognize and reward those who excel in those areas.

Recommendation 11. Promote positive public perception. The COH should improve our internal processes and customer service and should promote awareness of our high quality programs.