“ACPE Pilot Program CHRISTUS Muguerza”
CHRISTUS Alta Especialidad, Monterrey, Mexico

On October 1, 2010, the first ACPE Spanish unit began at CHRISTUS Muguerza Alta Especialidad Hospital in Monterrey, Mexico. This is a photograph of the first eight ACPE students in Mexico. The program is the “ACPE Pilot Program CHRISTUS Muguerza” approved and supported by the ACPE New Generations Project. The program is an educational placement from the ACPE accredited program of CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital, Corpus Christi. The program has been made possible through an ACPE program award grant and a generous grant from the CHRISTUS Health Education and Research Fund.

This program would not be possible with support and enthusiasm from many people and entities. The supervisor conducting this very important project is the Rev. Luis Rodriguez. This program has been made possible through the invaluable administration support and collaboration between CHRISTUS Muguerza, CHRISTUS Spohn and CHRISTUS Health facilitated by Michael Saxton System Director, Mission and Spirituality. The leaders from CHRISTUS Muguerza supporting the program are: Víctor Santillán Gómez, Director of Mission, Sr. Maria de Lourdes Urrutia, Manager of Mission and Spiritual Care, Cruz Munoz Guevara, Manager of Values. The leaders from CHRISTUS Spohn Health System, Corpus Christi are: Brian Smith, Vice President of Mission Integration and Mirjam Berger (Manager of CPE).

The students participating in the unit include five from the Spiritual Care staff at CHRISTUS Muguerza who serve as “agente de pastoral.” There are also three local clergy participating in the program. In the photograph the students are:

(back row) Mario Sanchez Garza (local clergy), Jose Patricio Molina (agente de pastoral), Pablo Alberto Soriano (local clergy), Lydia Yeverino (agente de pastoral), Mario Alberto Ramos (local clergy), Patricia Lona (agente de pastoral)
(front row) Rocio Rehlander (agente de pastoral), Luis Rodriguez (supervisor), Maria Christina Trevino (agente de pastoral)

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