

MEMORANDUM

Date: November 15, 2016

To: Regional Dental Clinics

From: Dr. Lori Stinson

Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs

Re: Status of Lane Community / Lewis-Clark State College partnership for dental hygiene

On November 4, 2016, Lane Community College of Eugene, Oregon, officially notified Lewis-Clark State College of its decision to dissolve the partnership agreement for delivery of dental hygiene education in Lewiston. The Lane Community College (LCC)/ Lewis-Clark State (LCSC) partnership was initiated in 2008 as the result of a federal grant. The partnership between LCC and LCSC has been very successful, and we appreciate LCC's support in meeting a critical workforce need in our region.

Lane Community College will continue to teach classes to those students currently admitted to and enrolled in the Dental Hygiene program. However, no additional students will be admitted to the Lewiston-based program.

We recognize the importance of a dental hygiene preparation program to this region. LCSC is exploring options to partner with an Idaho school for delivery of dental hygiene education. Discussions are in process, and we expect to announce our plans in the next few months.

Thank you for your continued support of dental hygiene education at Lewis-Clark State College, and for your support of our students and graduates. We will keep you apprised as a new partnership develops.

Thank you.

cc:

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