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Internship Results in Improving Workflow so Nurses Can Spend More Time with Patients



As an intern at Atlantic Health System, Lara Leyson '22 was able to take what she learned as a Computer Science student at CCM, along with her innate ability to observe and dig deeper, to improve the workflow of nurses in infusion departments.

"This was because my classes were very hands-on and project-based," she recalls. As a student at CCM, she also made it a point to get involved in numerous groups, including the Women in STEM and Computer Science clubs and as a student tour guide.

She highlights that engaging in those activities allowed her to acquire various skills, such as planning and leading meetings, networking with both on-campus and off-campus organizations, and developing her public speaking and communication abilities. Just the sort of skills that allowed her to observe a challenge outpatient infusion nurses encountered daily and to develop a solution.

Infusion nurses are responsible for administering therapies such as intravenous antibiotics, chemotherapy and immunotherapy. Utilizing Epic, an electronic medical record system, they would have to click and search for information during the pre-work stage of the infusion process, decreasing their efficiency.

"When shadowing the nurses, I noticed the pre-work was taking the nurses a long time to complete," she shares. "I wrote down each nurse's pre-work routine and noticed it was all very similar. To optimize and streamline the workflow, I designed and assisted in building a pre-work dashboard for the nurses in Epic. I had little experience in Epic. I addressed that by asking many questions and reading and researching about the program."

Today, the dashboard she designed is used by outpatient infusion departments across the Atlantic Health System network. She also was hired by Atlantic Health System for two subsequent summer internships before continuing her studies at the New Jersey Institute of Technology.

"That project opened my eyes and mind to what amazing programs I can create to optimize and streamline the workflow of nurses," says Leyson. "The more time nurses can spend with the patient, the better experience it is for everyone."

Her goal is to work with AI and augmented and virtual reality to optimize workflows in health care. She also strongly encourages other women to pursue IT careers.

"More women should consider a career in IT because technology is our future and I believe everyone should have a chance to express their ideas," she says. "The more ideas there are, the better chance we have of solving problems."

CCM EVENTS

Independence Day
July 4, College Closed



[Public Safety Visitor's Registration Link](#)

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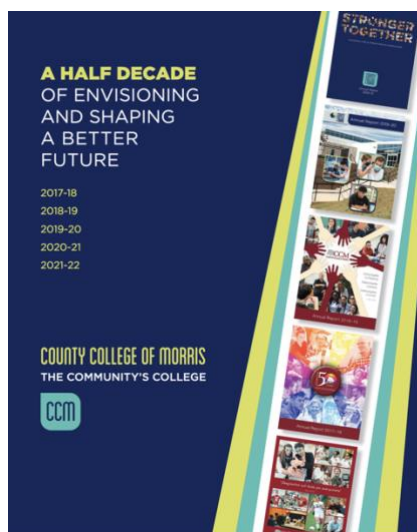


The college was #CCMProud to host the Morris County League of Municipalities last week. Thank you Mayor of Mount Arlington Borough Michael Stanzilis and President Tony Iacono who spoke about CCM providing a pipeline of well-educated employees via the college's Center for Workforce Development and its for-credit programs. Plus, kudos to our Hospitality and Culinary Arts students for creating and serving an extraordinary meal!



A Half Decade of Envisioning and Shaping a Better Future

This year, the President's Office and Marketing & Public Relations took a different approach for the college's Annual Report. Instead of looking at only the prior academic year, this year's report reflected on the last five years.



The resulting report, "A Half Decade of Envisioning and Shaping a Better Future," chronicles the changes, success and progress CCM made in a relatively short time span that included a pandemic.

Included among the accomplishments were:

- Developing a new focus and commitment to workforce development
- Forging stronger ties with the community
- Constructing the Advanced Manufacturing and Engineering Center on time and on budget
- Increasing grant awards to the college
- Providing a wide range of assistance to keep moving forward during the pandemic
- Bringing the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Moving Wall to the college
- Enhancing the college's commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion
- Launching a new brand and logo
- Gaining national recognition for the college, as faculty, staff and students also gained numerous awards and honors

To receive a copy, email kbrunet@ccm.edu or call ext. 5052. You can also view it online at <https://bit.ly/CCMHalfDecade>.

Archives Looking for Help to ID People in Photos



Were you at CCM, as a student or employee, in the 70s, 80s or early 90s?

If so, consider helping out the library Archives.

The Archives has received a donation of early photographs of CCM employees and students.

Please stop by the library weekdays in July and August and help to identify people in the photos.

In appreciation, you will receive a Hershey Hug and Kiss for every person you name!

For more information, call ext. 5300.

Bleeding Control Training at CCM

The Safety Committee sponsored Bleeding Control training on June 20.

Approximately 40 CCM employees attended the training provided by the Morris County Office of Emergency Management. It included classroom and practical training. Watch for the training to be held again during the Fall Semester.

Learn how to help your CCM community, friends and family!



New People and Positions

Congratulations to the following people whose new positions at the college were approved by the Board of Trustees at its June 27 meeting.

Christine Cullen-Reed, PT Lab Assistant, Visual Arts

Yokerly Diaz, Computer Solutions Specialist, Information Systems

Ariella Panek, Dean of Students, Student Engagement & Success

Aisha Santos, Accounting Assistant II, AP & AR

Josefina Williams, PT Custodian I (Evenings), Custodial Services

Stephanie Williams, PT Public Safety Officer, Public Safety

New Student Orientation Leaders Needed

The Office of Campus Life is looking to recruit students to assist at the New Student Orientation Program in July and August. It is looking for past and current students who are willing to share their college experience with new students through a panel and informal interaction during the program. Interested students will be paid a stipend.

Qualities it is looking for are enthusiasm, knowledge of various aspects of CCM, a positive attitude and a minimum 2.0 GPA. They should be team players and possess the ability to relate to a variety of personalities and cultures.

New Student Orientations are Thursday, July 13, Tuesday, August 8, and Thursday, August 24.

If you know of any students who would be good for this role, have them fill out the application at <https://bit.ly/CCMStudentLeaderApp>.

Payroll Stipend Paperwork Deadline

All employee stipend payment/work authorization paperwork for services performed prior to July 1 must be received by HR for approval by July 5 to be processed by the Payroll team in July. These payments will be charged to the FY 2022-23 budget.

NOTICES FOR CCMEMO

Email material to Kathleen Brunet at kbrunet@ccm.edu and Stacy Maldonado at smaldonado@ccm.edu.

Submissions must be received by 3 p.m. Wednesday.

Looking for past issues of the CCMemo? [Find them here.](#)

Building Emotional and Psychological Safety

The Higher Education Recruitment Consortium (HERC) is offering a Virtual Coffee Hour and Roundtable Discussion on Building Emotional and Psychological Safety. The session takes place Tuesday, July 11, starting at 10 a.m.

Join Kyrah J. Altman, CEO of LEAD, Inc. who will discuss how to build emotional and psychological safety for yourself, colleagues and loved ones while living in a world that feels unsafe. Be empowered to stay in the moment, model self-regulation techniques to help your teams feel safe and heard in the midst of continued uncertainty, stress and burnout, and build resilience.

To register, click on this link [Building Emotional Safety Tickets](#) and use your CCM email.

Any stipends that are not received by July 5 will be charged to the new FY 2023-24 budget.

Please contact the Payroll team at Payroll@ccm.edu for any issues concerning this deadline.

Year End Accounting Reminder

July 10 is the last day to submit FY 2022-23 Petty Cash Reimbursements, Expense Reimbursement Forms and Travel Advance Reconciliations.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Help us communicate all of the good things happening at CCM by liking, sharing or commenting on the college's social media posts and pages.

