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The 2015 Recipients of the Rural RIBN Student Award

Congratulations to Lynnea Skiman, Western RIBN Collaborative, and Susan Wood, Hickory RIBN Collaborative, on receiving the RIBN Rural Student Award! The Rural RIBN Student Award was established in 2015 and sponsored by the Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust. In keeping with the Kate B. Reynold's Charitable Trust's mission to improve the quality of life and quality of health for the financially needy of North Carolina, the Rural RIBN Student Award is designed to recognize an outstanding RIBN student from a Tier 1 and/or Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA) and support the economic burden of completing year 4 of the RIBN





Western RIBN 2ND Cohort BSN Graduates



After dual enrollment at Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College (AB Tech) and Western Carolina University (WCU) since 2011-12 academic year, the second RIBN cohort of students completed their studies at Western Carolina University to graduate with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

Congratulations Jenna Autrey, Trecy Bergen, Megan Palmer Cole, Ellen Glassberg, Tayler Hunter, Charis Conner Jones, Hayley List, and Crystal Wilson! **Phone:** (919) 787-2016 **Web:** www.ffne.org

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NC A&T and Three Community Colleges Collaborate to Increase the Number of Baccalaureate Prepared Nurses

Foundation for Nursing Excellence (FFNE) is excited to share that North Carolina A&T State University has collaborated with three community colleges to work together to increase the number of nurses entering the field with bachelor's degrees. Beginning fall 2016, Guilford Technical and Community College, Davidson County Community College and Vance-Granville Community College will join NC A&T in the Regionally Increasing Baccalaureate Nurses (RIBN) initiative.

This is the newest and the 8th RIBN Collaborative, entitled NC Piedmont. Welcome aboard NC Piedmont! New nursing students will be able to dually enroll in both NC A&T and one of the community colleges. Every year, up to 30 students will be admitted to this new RIBN program.

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Official signing of NC Piedmont RIBN Agreement.

FFNE Publishes New RIBN video

Foundation for Nursing Excellence (FFNE) is excited to announce that the RIBN video has been published and is now available for all to watch.

RIBN provides an economically feasible educational pathway between community colleges and universities for more North Carolina nursing students to achieve a baccalaureate (BSN) degree. Is becoming a Nurse your dream, your goal, your future career? Consider the RIBN strategy! Hear some of the experiences and reasons why the RIBN program could be a great fit for you.

Watch Video Here >>

