

MINT Update on Articulation

On February 12 and 13, 2002, MINT hosted a conference on articulation at Deaconess Billings Clinic, with Dr. Mary Rapson from the Colleagues in Caring national office in Washington, D.C. as facilitator. She presented information about articulation programs, and various models from other states. In addition, she discussed articulation terminology in current use, and how terminology needs to be commonly understood, in order to assist states to develop their own articulation plans. At the close of the second day, MINT attendees were able to discuss a proposed model of articulation for Montana nursing programs. The model indicates a process for an LPN or Associate Degree RN to advance their education with a minimum of repetition or duplication of course work. The group will be discussing the model at the next MINT meeting, on April 18 in Missoula. As soon consensus is achieved, the model will be available for distribution. If you are interested in more information about this project, please call Margaret Wafstet, RN, MN, MINT Project Director, at (406) 243-7864, or email her at wafstetm@selway.umt.edu.