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Report on the Khan Academy/ Jonas Center Collaboration March 2015

Since September 2013, AACN has partnered with the Jonas Center for Nursing and Veterans Healthcare and Khan Academy to create free, peer-developed, and expert-faculty reviewed online resources to help nurses prepare for professional practice and to sit for the NCLEX-RN ®. Through this collaboration, the Jonas Center provided funding to AACN to administer this initiative and work directly with Khan Academy staff in developing and reviewing online nursing content. In October 2014, the Jonas Center renewed its commitment to AACN for a second year (\$60,651 grant) through September 2015 to support the expansion of our work with Khan Academy.

The partner institutions launched a competition in early 2014 for nursing students and other healthcare professionals to create video tutorials for three NCLEX content areas - cardiovascular, respiratory, and hematology systems. In the first few months of year two, additional content has been created on stroke, diabetes, Parkinson's disease, arthritis and pregnancy. To date, AACN's work with Khan has yielded 277 videos, which have collectively received 10.5 million views. Reference material and practice review questions have also been created by the competition winners in collaboration with expert reviewers recruited by AACN. Currently, 320 NCLEX questions have been created and reviewed, which have been collectively completed 500,000 times. The nursing resources developed through this partnership have consistently earned the highest rating on the Khan Academy site for accuracy, clarity, and quality of content.

AACN is currently collecting feedback from member schools to determine how the nursing content on the Khan Academy website is being used as a learning resource by students and faculty. A webinar will be held in late April/early May to showcase how the online tutorials can be used by faculty as a teaching tool.