The Future of Nursing is in our Hands: Making Sense and Taking Action

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The Eight Recommendations

1. Remove scope-of-practice barriers...for all nurses

2. Expand opportunities for nurses to lead & diffuse collaborative improvement efforts

3. Implement nurse residency programs

4. Increase proportion of nurses with BSN degree to 80% by 2020

5. Double the number of nurses with a doctorate by 2020

6. Ensure that nurses engage in lifelong learning

7. Prepare & enable nurses to lead change to advance health

8. Build an infrastructure to collect & analyze health care workforce data

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Check out this site: http://championnursing.org/ (initiative with AARP, Robert Wood Johnson and their respective foundations)
TAKING IT HOME

• What is your response to what you have heard today?

• What does the IOM: Future of Nursing Initiative mean for you on a personal level?

• When someone asks you “what do you do as a nurse, what is your elevator speech? (Clear, succinct way you talk about your work as a nurse in the time it takes to go from one floor to another on an elevator... 1-2 minutes). Write it down, start using it, get feedback re: the message you are conveying.

• When someone asks you “why would a nurse get a doctorate, if they want that why don’t they just go to medical school” what do you say?

• What is next in your future that will keep you on a path for success in your nursing career? Be specific.

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Your Name                                      Date