Johns Hopkins School of Nursing DNP in Nurse Anesthesiology

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Abstract

Today, due to shortages of Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs) in the Johns Hopkins Healthcare System (JHHS) a partnership was developed between the Anesthesiology Department and the School of Nursing (JHSON) to reestablish a CRNA educational program to address this shortage. This collaboration will: 1) prepare highly trained and competent CRNAs for the JHHS and the state of Maryland at the doctoral level; 2) develop nurse anesthesia faculty for the future; 3) increase collaboration and dialogue with CRNAs in the region; and (4) advance an ecosystem for fostering science in nurse anesthesia. With this award, the JHSON has been able to develop and approve the nurse anesthesiology track curriculum, recruit 2.5 full-time CRNA faculty to begin building the courses in the curriculum, develop and submit the self-study to the Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs (COA), and successfully complete an on-site review with COA reviewers in October of 2019, and the school has been awarded initial accreditation for five years from the COA.