As a program, we strive to instill a sense of interprofessional teamwork in our students. One way in which we do this is to build group and team projects into our curriculum each semester. We think it is important for you, as the preceptor, to know about and understand what these projects are and our goals for the students.

**VPIL 1**

In the first semester of their first year of the program, VPIL students begin the semester with a group assignment, Get to Know Your Clinic. The purpose of this assignment is to help the team become more familiar with the patient population in their VPIL clinic, the clinic personelle, and the flow of the clinic. The bigger and more robust group project for the first semester, however, is the Home Visit and Collaborative Plan of Care. With the help and guidance of the preceptor, the students will choose a patient from the clinic and go on a home visit with them. The student team will have a standard guide for conducting the home visit from which they will then create a Collaborative Plan of Care as their deliverable assignment. They will also be giving in class presentations on their home visits. **We always extend an invitation to any preceptor who would like to come and see their team present on their home visit.** This will take place Wednesday afternoon, November 6.

**VPIL 2**

In the second year and for semesters three and four, the VPIL students will complete a Capstone project. This project is designed to provide positive change for both patients and providers. Each team will work together with their preceptor to choose a quality measure that is essential for the population of patients in their clinic. Quality measures are tools that help ensure patients receive high-quality care and include things like smoking cessation counseling, referrals for diabetic eye exams, and mammograms. With the guidance of their clinical preceptor, teams will
formulate a small-scale intervention aimed at increasing the percentage patients who satisfactorily meet the criteria set by the measure. Their work will be presented as an academic poster at a Capstone event at the end of their second year. Each team will have a VPIL faculty member assigned to them as a “Capstone Coach,” who also help them to navigate this process.

MONTHLY CALENDARS

VPIL 1

Green = clinic days
Yellow = CELA (simulation day - students will not be in clinic)

VPIL 2

Green = clinic days
Blue = seminar day (students will not be in clinic)

We would love to have your feedback about this newsletter!

Suggestions

• September 4
  VPIL 1 students have their first day in clinic

*Note - some medical students may choose to use this week to study for their HBA block exam. Although an excused absence by the medical school, the expectation is that they medical student should let the preceptor and the student team know if they will not be present in clinic.

VPIL 1 Clinics
1. Vanderbilt Walk-in Clinics - Cool Springs
2. Osher Center for Integrative Medicine
3. Pediatric Rheumatology
4. Center for Women’s Health Obstetric Drug Dependency Clinic
5. Pediatric Surgery
6. Interventional Radiology
7. Vanderbilt Family Medicine - Franklin
8. MNPS Employee & Family Healthcare Center
9. Addiction Psychiatry
10. Cardiac Surgery

VPIL 2 Clinics
1. Adolescent & Young Adult Health
2. Adult Emergency Department
Visit the Preceptor Portal on our website! The portal includes an overview of the program, what the students are learning throughout their 2 years in the program, what to expect when being a preceptor, helpful hints on what to do during downtime, and much more!

Preceptor Portal