

Suggested strategies for promoting teams, collaborations and partnerships

- Establish interprofessional practice councils (CNA, 2001)
- Build time for collaboration into workload planning (IOM, 2004)
- Hold interprofessional meetings and rounds (Upenieks, 2002a) with rotating responsibility for leading and teaching
- Establish a code of conduct and communication for the interprofessional team
- Design and implement care maps and pathways (IOM, 2004)
- Establish interprofessional team peer-review for adverse patient care events (AACN, 2002)
- Provide training in cross-cultural communication and conflict resolution (Disch et al., 2001)
- Establish nursing management forums for problem solving and information sharing
- Have staff share lounges for informal interaction and build private areas for consultation (IOM, 2004)
- Collaborate with a wide range of partners including researchers, educational institutions, other providers and professional organizations
- See RNAO Healthy Work Environments Best Practice Guideline *Collaborative Practice Among Nursing Teams*, 2006