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Dear Colleagues,

I am very pleased to congratulate Sheila Kiryk on her appointment as Program Head, Simulation Learning.



Sheila Kiryk

Sheila brings a wealth of nursing experience to her new role. She has been a faculty member with the NEPS Second Degree Entry Option (SDEO) since October 2007. Sheila has a keen interest in the use of simulation and other innovative learning technology. She is currently working with a colleague on a research project entitled, "Transfer of Learning: Clinical Simulation in Nursing Education". Sheila was instrumental as lead for the recent "voice to text" clinical evaluation project in SDEO. Her experience in these areas will prove invaluable as she begins working across campus sites and with various programs in advancing the use of simulation as a learning strategy.

Prior to joining the SIAST Nursing Division, Sheila worked for several years in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at the Royal University Hospital in Saskatoon. Her previous clinical practice included positions on Urology and Orthopedics at St. Paul's Hospital in Saskatoon, and positions in Medical-Surgical and Pediatric areas at the St. Joseph's Hospital in Estevan. In addition, Sheila has worked in long-term care at both Sherbrooke Community Centre and the Estevan Regional Nursing Home.

Sheila holds a diploma in nursing from SIAST, and has since added both a baccalaureate and master's degree in nursing from the University of Saskatchewan.

Sheila will start in her new position on December 14, 2009. Her office will be located at SIAST Kelsey Campus in Saskatoon. You can contact Sheila by email at <u>sheila.kiryk@siast.sk.ca</u>.

Please join me in welcoming Sheila to her new position.

Sincerely,

Netha Dyck

Netha Dyck Dean of Nursing