

EQUIPMENT NEEDS ASSESSMENT APPLICATION

Name of Person Submitting Request:	Tamara Maurizi
Program or Service Area:	Nursing
Division:	Science
Date of Last Program Efficacy:	2011-2012
What rating was given?	
Equipment Requested	Privacy Curtains
Amount Requested:	Estimated \$5000-\$6000
Strategic Initiatives Addressed:	Access, Student Success

Replacement Growth

1. Provide a rationale for your request.

The Nursing department is requesting funds for privacy curtains around each bed in the skills lab. With the Perkin's Grant the skills was equipped with equipment to make each bed setting resemble a hospital room. What is lacking is the privacy curtains around the beds. Privacy curtains are considered a permanent fixture and are not covered by the Perkin's Grant. Privacy curtains help create a realistic clinical environment when students are doing skills and practicing procedures. Portable screens are being used now and have a tendency to collapse and fall.

2. Indicate how the content of the latest Program Efficacy Report and current EMP data support this request How is the request tied to program planning? (*Reference the page number(s) where the information can be found on Program Efficacy.*)

According to the EMP, faculty must continue to expand knowledge and skills to remain current with advancing practice including incorporation of human-patient simulators into courses. Before students can give care to a live person they must learn, and practice skills so that care is done in a safe manner.

3. Indicate if there is additional information you wish the committee to consider (*for example: regulatory information, compliance, updated efficiency, student success data, or planning, etc.*).

On page 10 nursing efficacy report, nursing practice information, advisories, and guidelines are provided by the BRN to ensure ongoing communication of competency standards to consumers, registered nurses, advanced practice nurses, employers, educators, and other regulators. As the scope of nursing practice changes and grows, so does this information. <http://www.rn.ca.gov/regulations/practice.shtml>

4. Evaluation of initial cost, as well as related costs (including any ongoing maintenance or updates) and identification of any alternative or ongoing funding sources. (for example Department Budget or Perkins)

A representative from the company needs to come and measure for the curtains. It is estimated that the curtains would cost between \$5,000 to \$6,000. Perkins does not cover these privacy curtains because they are considered a permanent fixture.

5. What are the consequences of not funding this equipment?

We will have to continue working with the portable privacy screens. These are breaking and falling apart as a result of being in used. Privacy screens/curtains are necessary when students perform certain skills and procedures before caring for live patients.