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# Nursing Academic Leaders: A Tale of Two Journeys

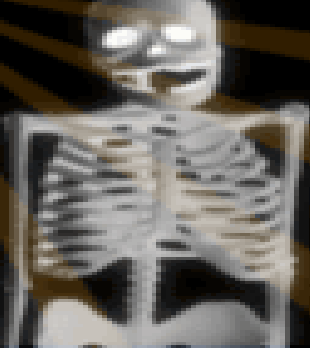
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# Happy Halloween!



# Program Funder

- The Chamberlain University School of Nursing
  - Center for Excellence in Nursing Education (CENE)
    - Leadership Development
    - Professional Development
    - Mentorship Program



# Leadership is...

Leadership is the ability  
to influence others

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**“I’m not lacking leadership skills.  
Everyone else is lacking followship skills!”**



# Mentorship is...

- *The Odyssey*
  - Odysseus
  - Mentor
  - Telemachus
- Advisor
- Guide
- Male/Female Iterations



# Why Mentorship?

- More successful
- Advance quicker
- Earn higher salaries
- Become mentors themselves



# Mentorship in Academe

- Business & Medical Literature
- Promotion
- Publications
- Grants
- Retention





# Administrator Considerations

- Retirements
  - RNs
  - Faculty
  - Administrators
- ‘Thrust’ in new role
  - Formal training
- Succession planning



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# One Answer...EEAI

## The Emerging Educational Administrator Institute (EEAI):

- New or aspiring Academic Administrators
- Curriculum
- Triad Model
  - Scholar
  - Mentor
  - Institute Faculty



# Learning to Lead in Academe

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# EEAI & Leadership Development

- Why needed:
  - Historically, nurses often are not provided with the skills necessary to be leaders – often only provided with skills for clinical practice (true even at graduate levels)
- Developmental needs:
  - Strategic planning
  - Budgeting
  - Dealing with multiple personalities



# EEAI Format/Networking/Connections

- Mentors

- Faculty

- Jeanette Lancaster PhD, RN, FAAN

- Colleague

- Nancy Sharts-Hopko PhD, RN, FAAN
    - Janice Agazio PhD, CRNP, RN, FAANP, FAAN

- Peer Connections

- Brian Holland
  - Grace Moodt

- Monthly Conference Calls

- Able to discuss current environments and challenges with possible solutions (for both projects and current issues)



# EEAI Project: Learning to Lead

- Needs/Wishes:
  - Budget Development
    - New Budget Process
  - Strategic Planning
    - Need More Faculty
  - Dealing with Faculty/Staff



# Plan

- “Residency” for group as initial contact and training
  - Assessment/learning about leadership traits/skills/knowledge/personality types
  - Review of academic administrative role
  - Team building/Career planning
- Monthly meetings with faculty member and peers
  - Monthly journaling assignment for group
- Met as needed with self-selected mentors
- EEAI developed/presented group with CE courses for self-development in specified areas



# Individual Projects

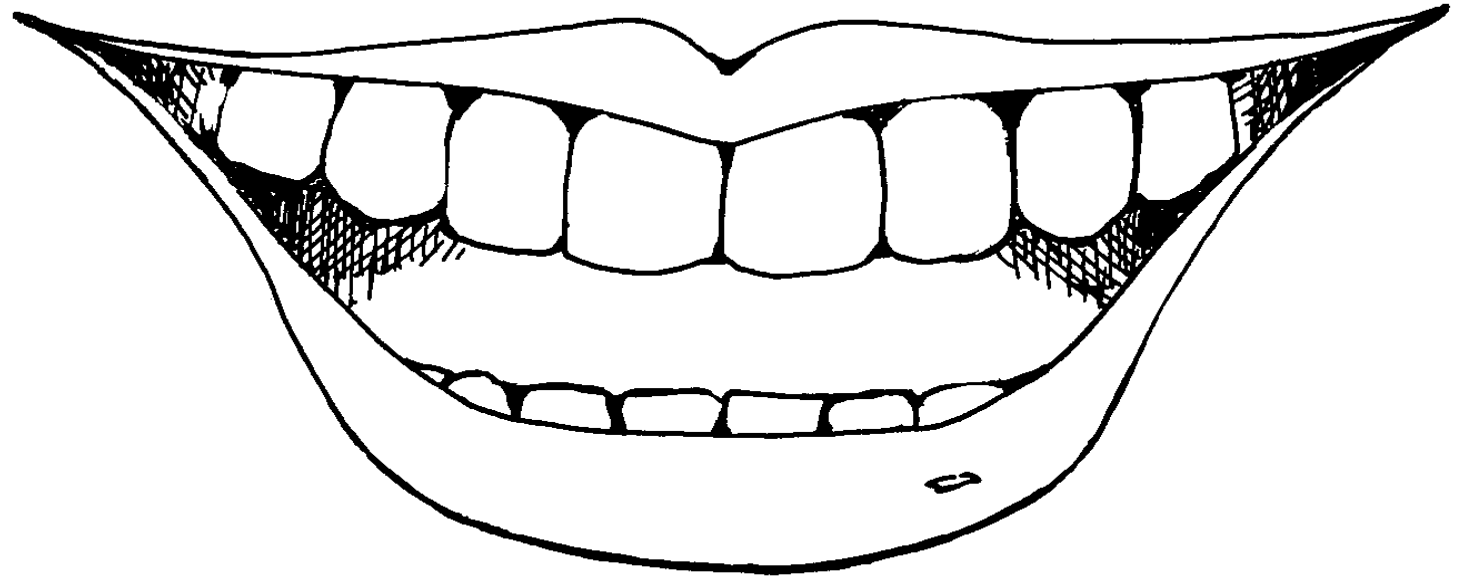
- Pursuit of Clinical Faculty Positions
- Budget Development
- Strategic Plan
- Salaries





# The “SMILE” Approach

- Situational
- Managing
- In
- Leadership
- Experiences



# The “SMILE” is mightier than the “FROWN”

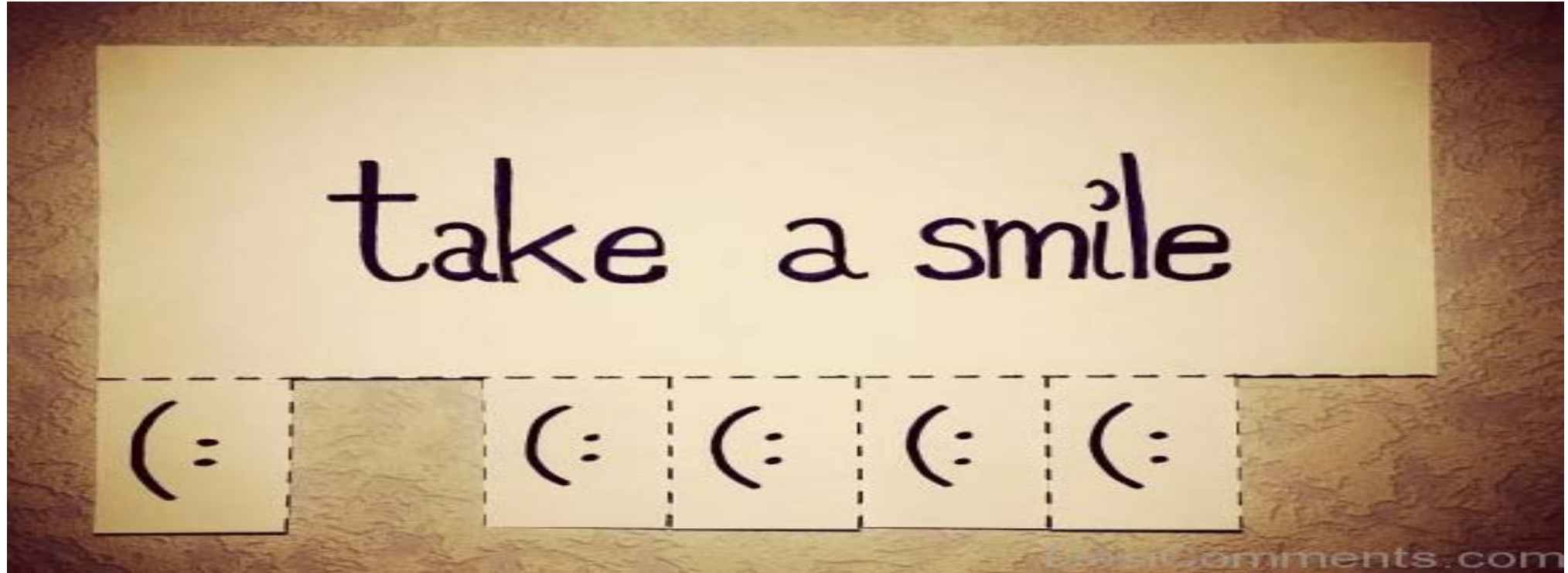
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- Frequent
- Reactivity
- Over
- Whining &
- Noise



If you see someone without a smile, give them one of yours.



# Situational-Responsive Leadership in the Context of Project Development

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# The Journey Begins

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# My EEAI Goals

## Develop

leadership skills in nursing  
education administration

## Use

a situational-responsive  
leadership perspective to  
achieve stated EEAI  
outcomes

## Engage and inspire

others to achieve stated outcomes by  
leading the development of a BSN  
Curriculum Assessment Plan subcommittee



# Expected EEAI Project Outcomes

1. **Establish** a BSN Assessment Plan subcommittee within UCEC
2. **Develop** a framework to guide ongoing BSN program assessment
3. **Create** a BSN Curriculum Assessment Plan document
4. **Lead** the promotion of a culture that supports innovative pedagogy, continuous quality improvement, and accountability for student learning outcomes
5. **Advocate** for faculty workload allocation for BSN Director of Assessment (or eventually an Assoc. Dean for Academic Affairs)
6. **Advocate** for staff allocation to support role of BSN ongoing assessment
7. **Contribute** to the CCNE self-study report



# BSN Curriculum Assessment Plan

**PURPOSE:** to organize and lead a team in creating and operationalizing a single comprehensive systematic internal and external BSN curriculum assessment document (*Educational Academic Mission*)





# Situational-Responsive Leadership

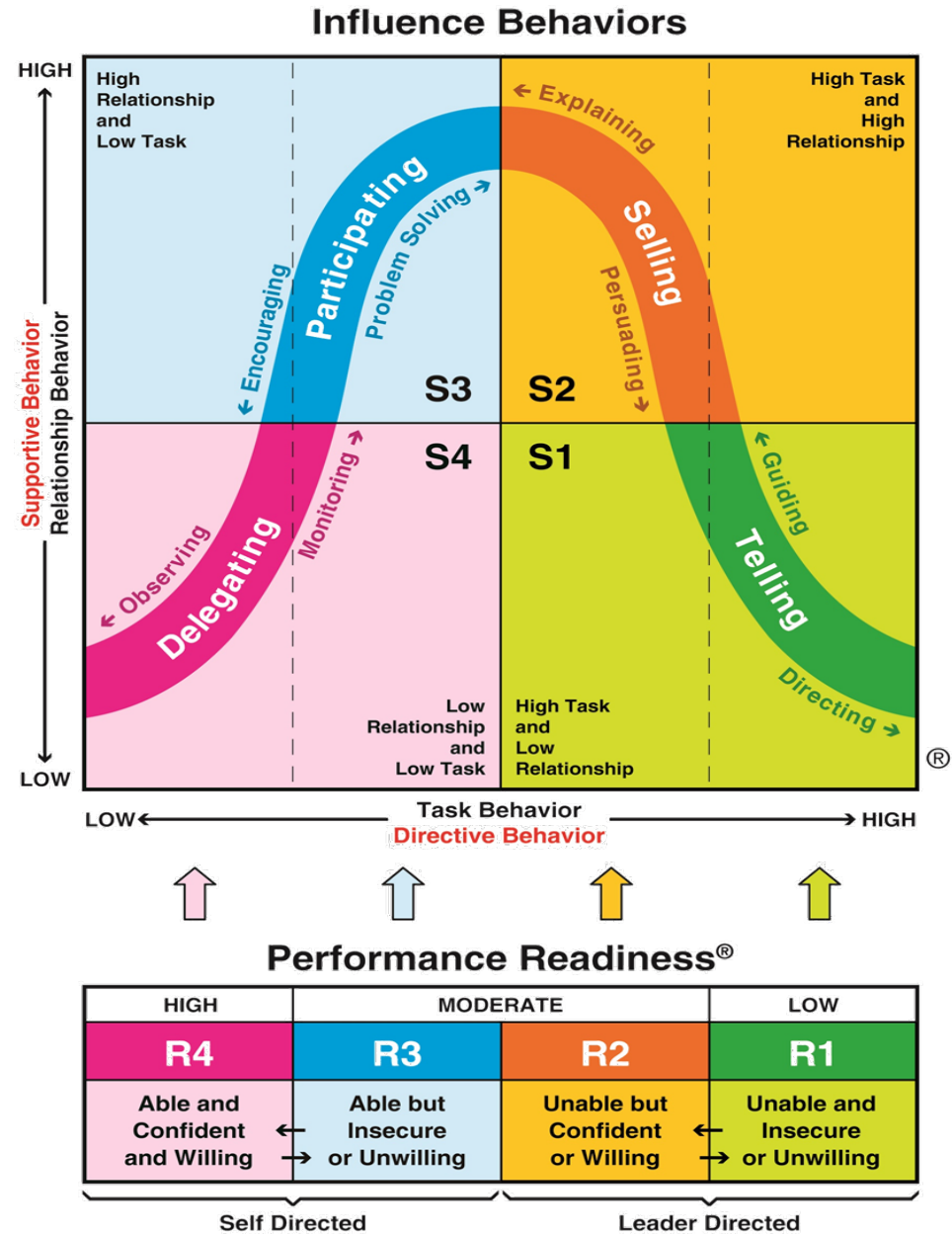
Inspiring others to achieve and sustain purposeful and value-based outcomes using situational engagement strategies in an environment of trust, respect, integrity, and empathy



# Situational Leadership Model

Hersey-Blanchard

## Situational Leadership®



# BSN Curriculum Assessment Plan

College of Nursing Strategic Plan (Pillars of Distinction)

## Internal Assessment

- Assignments align with course objectives
- Leveling Document concepts integrated appropriately
- Student course evaluations
- Peer evaluations

## Communities of Practice

- NURS 3190/91:** Promoting the Health of Older Adults
- NURS 3390/91:** Promoting Mental Health
- NURS 3590/91:** Promoting Reproductive Health
- NURS 4190/91:** Promoting the Health of Children & Families
- NURS 4390/91:** Promoting the Health of Adults
- NURS 4590:** Promoting the Health of Populations and Communities
- NURS 4790/1:** Senior Practicum Transition to Professional Practice

## External Assessment

- NCLEX Pass Rates
- Nursing Commission
- HESI Comprehensive Predictor Exit Exam
- CCNE Quality Indicators
- BSN Alumni Survey
- Graduate Employment
- Clinical Partner Feedback

Simulation

- **NURS 2520:** Professional Nursing in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century
- **NURS 3205:** Pathophysiology
- **NURS 3305:** Introduction to Pharmacology
- **NURS 3405:** Health Assessment & Interventions
- **NURS 3520:** Statistical Research Methods for Evidence-Based Practice
- **NURS 3705:** Nutrition for Health Promotion
- **NURS 4520:** Senior Synthesis: Leadership for Health Equity

Nursing Sciences

# Deliverables – Part I

- A **BSN Curriculum Assessment Manual** (aligned with the SU CoN Strategic Plan) approved by UCEC and Faculty Assembly that contains the following:
  1. BSN curriculum assessment document
  2. Conceptual framework for assessment (objective-based model): Context, Input, Process, and Product (CIPP) Model (Stufflebeam, D.L. (2000).
  3. Content grid (CCNE standards)
  4. Revised internal and external surveys



# Deliverables – Part II (2018-19)

1. Data tracking mechanism (Excel)
2. Curriculum Action Form (UCEC)
3. Content-mapping of the curriculum
4. End-of-year report (complete and comprehensive evaluation of the BSN curriculum)



## EXTERNAL

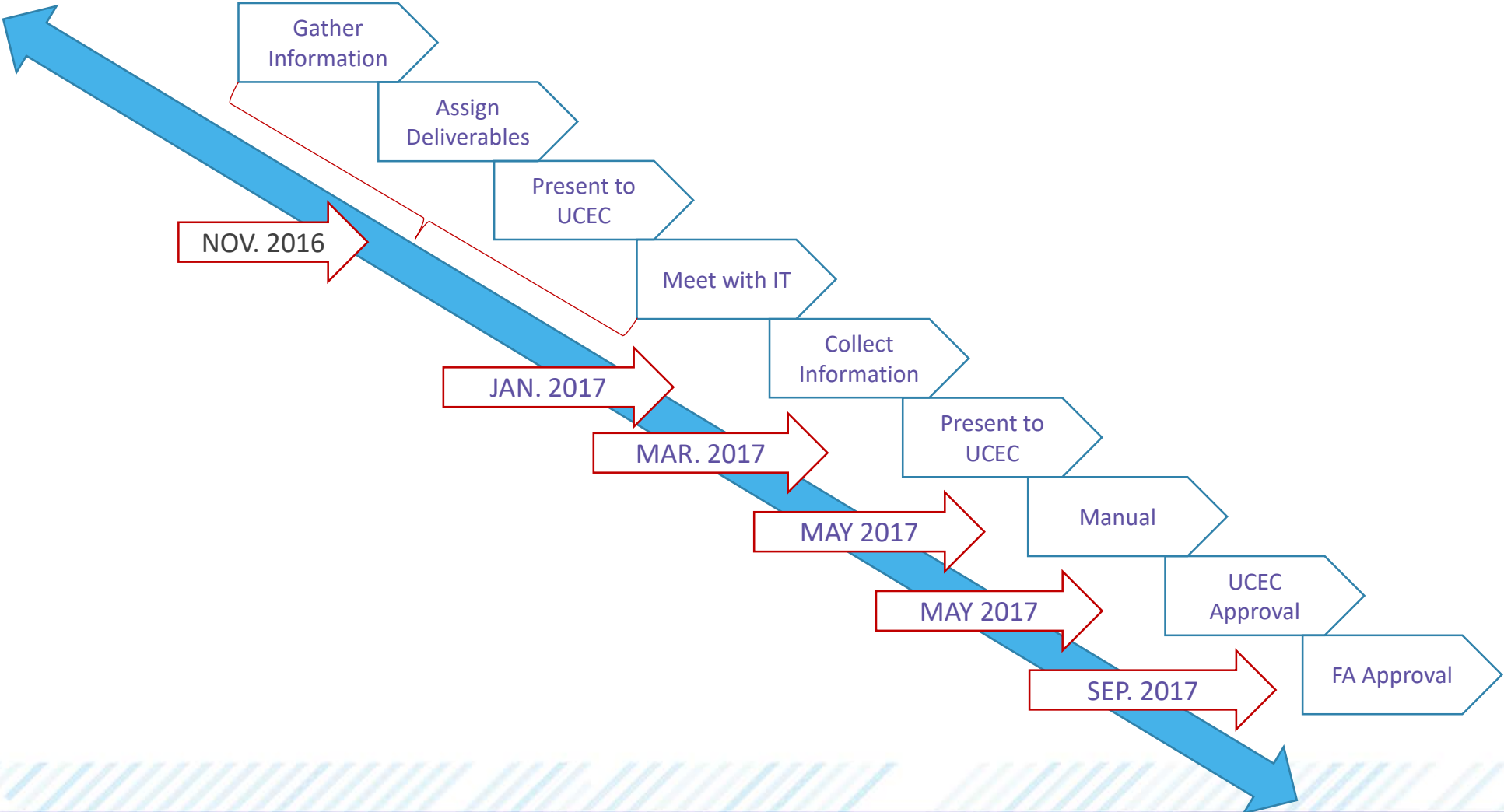
- NCLEX Pass rates
  - Nursing Commission
  - CCNE
  - BSN Alumni Survey
  - Graduate Employment Survey
  - Clinical Partner Feedback
  - HESI – G.R.
- Dean's Office
- D.W

## INTERNAL

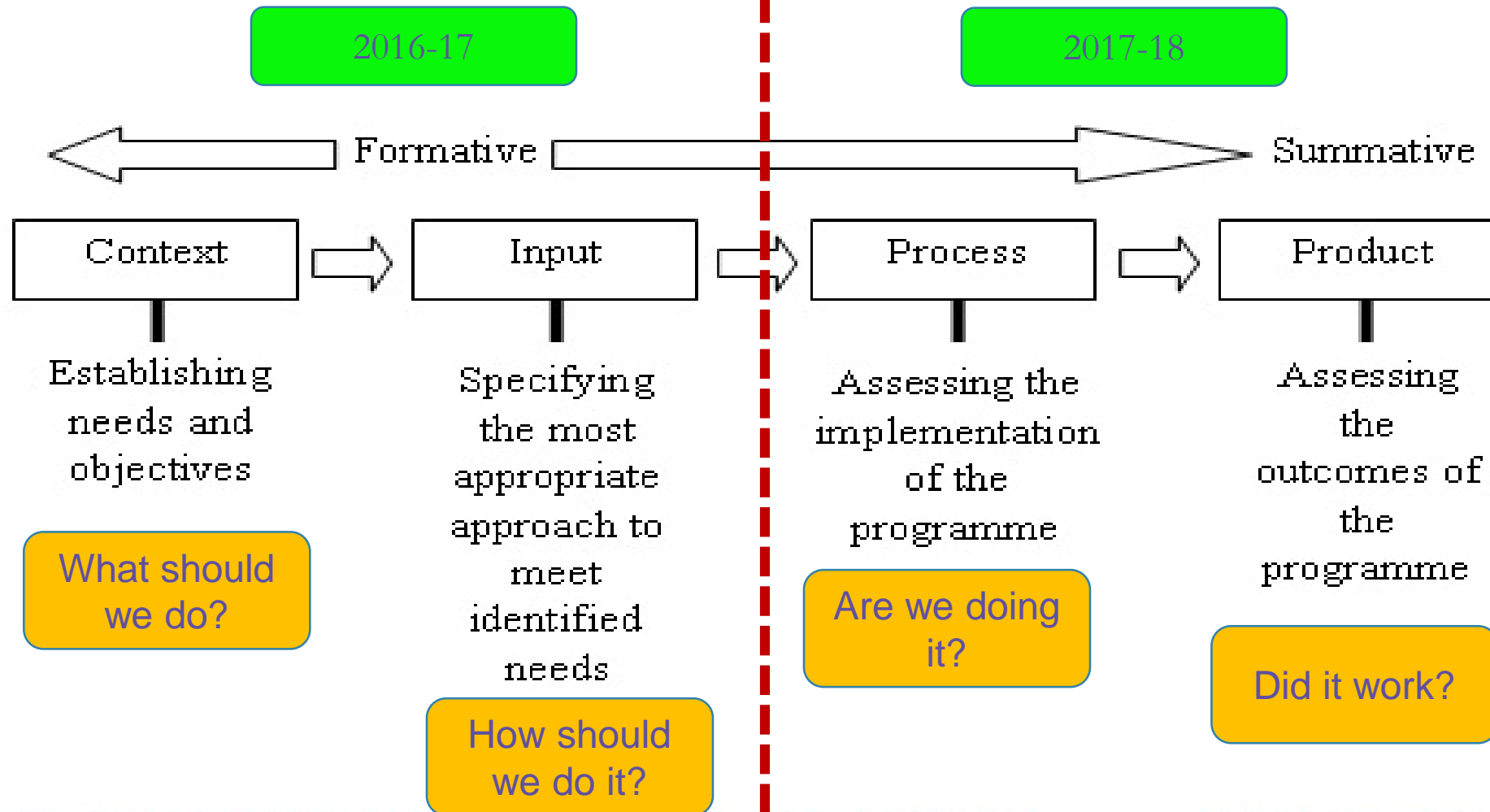
- Leveling Document (informed by the BSN Essentials, ANA Code of Ethics, and NCLEX Test Plan)
  - Assignments align with objectives
  - Peer Evaluations
  - Student Evaluations
- S.P.
- L. C., S.M.,R.S.
- B.C. & J.S.



# Timeline 2016-17



# CIPP Model





# Sustainability

## Director of BSN Assessment

- ✓ Faculty position (.25 time allocated)

## Staff support to for BSN assessment

- ✓ .20 time allocated



# Outcome Dissemination

- End of year report to admiration, faculty, staff, and students
- CCNE self-study report
- CoN Annual Report of Scholarship
  - Consider Annual Report of Scholarship, Teaching, and Service



# Lessons Learned

1. Nothing moves quickly in academia!
2. Patience *IS* a virtue!
3. Trust is essential!
4. Administrative support is paramount to success!
5. Your “emergency” isn’t necessarily everyone else’s “emergency”!
6. It takes a village! (team)



# EEAI Mentors

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# Lessons Learned

- Curriculum
  - Workshop Length
- Mentor
  - Role Delineation
- Sponsoring University
  - Engagement



# 20% Rule

- Science
- Experience
- YOU?



**“Remember, only gravy in his drip. He’s on Atkins.”**

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# Questions

