

Homeland Security-Emergency Management

Center of Excellence May 2016 Report

2016 WORK PLAN ACTIVITIES TO ADDRESS FOCUS AREAS OF INDUSTRY SECTOR STRATEGY, EDUCATION, INNOVATION, EFFICIENCY & SUPPLY AND DEMAND FOCUS:

SBCTC 2016-17 Work Plan - Completed a draft of the Center's 4th Quarter SBCTC Work Plan Report and outlined 2016-17 plan elements which will be reviewed and approved by the Center's Advisory Board and Jo Ann Baria Pierce's VP in June prior to submittal to the State Board. This year the Board asked the Center to focus two major elements they believed were critical to HSEM student career success. The activities included a yearlong effort directly engaging public and private employers hiring managers through structured interviews. The Center is sharing results with our HSEM pathway programs and the information provided is being used by the Program to improve employment results. The Center also established a "Work Experience Marketplace" on its website for the HSEM cluster programs. Both initiatives have been very successful and our efforts have increased work-based training opportunities, student employment and job placements.

With the introduction this year of the "guided pathways model" to the SBCTC system, the Center will continue and expand its efforts supporting HSEM career cluster programs. We will help them to outline clear program structures that provide the necessary guidance to students to ensure they are focused and in pursuit of their career goals. This approach will include a variety of work experience opportunities and resource support and training for career cluster program staff and faculty.

Securing the Supply Chain Forum

A summary report of the Supply Chain Management Summit is complete and will be available online at the end of May and distributed to all participants. A briefing document will be distributed to college workforce Deans and Program faculty and staff to supplement the report. It was recommended that next year's Summit focus on individual supply chain functions and also address concerns around "farm to fork" supply chain security.

Homeland Security-Emergency Management Simulation Center – Pierce College will be offering (when all state and NW Commission approvals are completed) a Bachelor of Applied Science online degree in Homeland Security-Emergency Management (HSEM) in the coming year. The Center supported the College in the develop of the BAS degree and has been working with Pierce to also jointly establish a HSEM Simulation Center which would allow statewide CTC programs, colleges and schools, businesses and industry to master their incident management skills safely in real-world environments. This unique approach blends traditional instruction with high-tech simulation. The simulator allows participation on line as well as in person to learn how to handle some of the most difficulty scenarios through realistic simulation. Course offering would include Incident Command Leadership Education, Active Shooter Awareness and Response, Emergency Operation Plan Testing and Evaluation, Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery as well as severe weather, hazmat, fire, and other disasters and emergencies.

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Cascadia Rising 2016

Student Observer Training Exercise
Pierce College
May 21, 2016

Center continues to work with Pierce HSEM Degree Program, state and local Emergency Management agencies, University of Washington and Amtrak to provide service learning and internship opportunities for educators and students who are participating as observers/participants in the Cascadia Rising Exercises occurring in May and June. Center staff worked with the UW to develop the training program that allowed five (5) HSEM 2nd year students to participate in these Cascadia activities.



Two (2) current HSEM students and a HSEM graduate working for the Center and on contract with Amtrak's Emergency Management personnel participated on May 26, in a train rescue exercise. Students observed and served as actors.

SBCTC Public Information Commission - Center staff worked with the lead for the CTC Public Information Council and identified a public information professional to provide PIO emergency management risk communications training at the Commission's May 12 meeting. PIO staff from Piece Office of Emergency Management provided the training at no cost. The Council has requested assistance from the Center to identify additional PIO trainings and resources. The Council very interested in ensuring all colleges in the state have well developed crisis communication plans and that Communication professionals have adequate training and have exercised their plans.

WAOA Presentation - The Center provided specialized training on best practices to respond to and survive an "armed intruder encounter" for faculty attending the 2016 May WA Association of Occupational Educators (WAOE) Healthy, Wealthy, and Wise Conference in Longview, WA on May 5-6. The workshop provided participants with a model syllabus addendum which helps faculty address this important issue. This one hour seminar may be modified for use at by any college or school.



The Center Director addressed the Puget Sound ASIS group informing them of of HSEM career pathways available at our 34 CTC colleges. The presentation included a Q and A which took place over a three hour period and three of the businesses attending have volunteer to participate in providing intern opportunities for students interested in the safety and security field.

UP COMING EVENTS

Grays Harbor Leadership Days - Center Director, will present June 2, at this year's Greater Grays Harbor's "Leadership Grays Harbor" professional development sessions. Participant are existing leaders or potential leaders in the county's area businesses. 10 sessions (2 per month) cover different leadership topics and each session is held at a different business on the harbor. This session will be held at Grays Harbor Community Hospital (West Campus). The topic of the session is Community Health and Safety and the Center will discuss statewide emergency management and the role the Center of Excellence plays.



Center staff are supporting the Allied Health Center of Excellence to host their Allied Health & Human Service Faculty Innovation for Student Success

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Conference, June 3, at the Pacific Tower, Panoramic Center at Seattle Central College. The Center will have a booth with information on emergency management careers in the healthcare field. The agenda includes a discussion of industry and community engagement and integration of Behavioral Health into Primary Care. The Center is researching the establishment of a stackable certificate in Emergency Management Healthcare with the Allied Health Center.