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BOARD OF REGENTS SPONSORS HEALTH SCIENCE EDUCATION SUMMIT

Summit to Focus on Healthcare Workforce Shortages

(TOPEKA) – Tomorrow the Kansas Board of Regents and five other organizations will host the “Innovations in Health Science Education Summit.” The summit will be held in Topeka at the Capitol Plaza Hotel, 1717 SW Topeka Boulevard, Emerald I and II Rooms, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Kansas has a shortage of health care professionals and waiting lists currently exist for health care programs at public higher education institutions around the state. Tomorrow’s summit will focus on identifying new and innovative practices that would allow professional health science program faculty to potentially accommodate more students in the classroom, lab and clinical sites, without jeopardizing the program’s quality and integrity.

“Higher education institutions in Kansas play a vital role in addressing the workforce needs of the state,” said Reginald L. Robinson, President and CEO of the Kansas Board of Regents. “Workforce and economic development in Kansas would not be possible without a quality and accessible system of public higher education. Addressing the state’s nursing shortage is just one example of how our institutions are preparing Kansas workers for the challenging global 21st Century economy.”

Tomorrow’s summit is sponsored by the Kansas Board of Regents, Kansas Hospital Association, Kansas Board of Nursing, Kansas State Nurses Association, Kansas Board of Emergency Medical Services and the Washburn University Department of Allied Health.

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