



**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Health Care Colleges Council

**FROM:** Sharon R. Stewart, CHS Associate Dean for Academic Affairs *SR*

**RE:** Request for changes to the curriculum and courses in Physician Assistant Studies

**DATE:** December 11, 2007

I am attaching the proposal for changes to the Physician Assistant Studies (PAS) Program and to several PAS courses for consideration by the Health Care Colleges Council. The PAS Program is located in the Department of Clinical Sciences, College of Health Sciences. These changes were recommended for approval by the CHS Academic Affairs Committee, and I support the proposals.

The proposals are organized into three electronic folders. The explanatory narrative provided by the Program is found below.

The folder called "PAS Course Change Submission 2007 new forms" includes a request for changes in numbering of existing didactic and clinical courses with no change in the content. There is also a request to add a new course in this folder. The course PAS 678 will replace the first instance of an existing course PAS 680, which has been repeated a second time in the past. A request for change in the PAS masters program is included listing the changes in course numbering and the new course. Please see the memo for an overview.

The folder called "PAS Clinical Curriculum Changes 2007 new forms" contains requests for changes in the PA curriculum clinical year that extend beyond changes in course numbering. A request for change in the PAS masters program is included and the memo explains the rationale and what is being requested.

As stated in the previous paragraphs, both folders imply a change in the Masters Program, so a form for that change is supplied in each folder. Note that there are TWO different forms requesting a program change. This is intended to make the changes more easily comprehensible.

Please contact Julie Gurwell (323-1100, ext 80843) or Sharon Stewart (323-1100, ext 80570) regarding any concerns or questions.