



**Project Title:** Interprofessional Health Mentors program

**Project Summary** *(150 words maximum)*

The proposal is for the further development and implementation of an interprofessional (IP), longitudinal 'Health Mentors' program in which teams of students from different disciplines learn together from and with a mentor (patient/client) with a chronic condition or disability (an expert in their life). Over the course of the program (16 months) the student teams visit their mentor several times, each visit focusing on specific curricular goals and IP competencies. The Health Mentors program was implemented for a pilot cohort of 92 students from 6 different professional programs and 23 Health Mentors in September 2011. The objectives of the second phase of the Health Mentors pilot program (2012-2013) are to i) complete implementation and evaluation of the program for the first pilot cohort (ends in December 2012) and ii) investigate scalability of the HM program through a second, larger scale pilot cohort beginning in September 2012.

