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Nurse ExecutiveTitle • Company • Address • City, ST ZIPDateDear Nurse Executive,This **Business Case for Nurse IV Nurse Scientists** was developed to give you a template to use when presenting a case to organizational leadership supporting the addition or sustainment of Nurse IV Scientists/Researchers in your facility/VISN. Nurse Scientists are typically doctorally-prepared nurses with research focused education and experience who develop a program of research that contributes to the value of the organization. This in no way is meant to supersede or take the place of clinical experts and nursing leadership in clinical roles who may also qualify for Nurse IV roles. Rather, this case demonstrates the need for generating new knowledge by researchers from each discipline, including nursing as the largest health care provider profession in the nation. Nursing Research, from its unique patient-centric perspective (ideally, in partnership with Clinical Nursing experts) is best suited to serve the organization along with other professions for the benefit of the Veteran by conducting meaningful research which leads to innovation and health care improvement. In addition to this Business Case document, the ONS Nursing Research Advisory Group has also drafted a template of a Nurse IV Scientist Functional Statement that is focused on Research. Sincerely, Your Name |
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