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Background:

In May 2013, 3rd-year medical students in the University of South Florida's Morsani College of Medicine (USF) and Lehigh Leadership Experiences Collaborative Training (SELECT)

Valley Health Network's (LVHN) innovative Scholarly Excellence program began their clinical training at LVHN in Pennsylvania. In anticipation of their arrival - and working in close collaboration the two partner institutions created the components of a branch medical campus at the new USF-Lehigh Valley. Working in close collaboration, the two partner institutions created the components of a branch medical campus at the new USF-Lehigh Valley.

The creation of a new campus – with the simultaneous creation of a new curriculum and a new program – has taken over four years of dedicated collaboration. The work came with numerous challenges and opportunities. These posters describe the phases of this work, its challenges and opportunities, and learnings that can be transferred to other similar partnerships.





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Key Tasks and Outcomes:

Admissions:

- Develop admissions process specific to the SELECT program
- Develop process to facilitate interviewing at either campus and which involves faculty across both institutions

Student Affairs:

- Extend Student Affairs functions from USF-Tampa to USF-Lehigh Valley
- Create services new to LVHN

Educational Affairs:

- Create structures and develop personnel to leverage LVHN strengths and support teaching, learning, feedback, and assessment
- Develop support for curriculum management; evaluation, assessment, and feedback; and course coordination

