

HENNEPIN COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER

701 Park Avenue
Minneapolis, MN 55415

GENERAL INFORMATION

Type of Center: General Hospital

Former name of Center and date of name change:

Name/date

Minneapolis General Hospital 1976

General location: City

Original CPE affiliation: ACPE

PROGRAM HISTORY

Year of first program: Summer 1956 Full accreditation: Summer 1956

Number or estimate of students who have been enrolled in the program: 265

Number or estimate of total units of CPE completed: 129

Present Supervisor(s): Dale Stuepfert, Sue Breiner

Previous Supervisors:

Names/dates

David Belgum 1956

Lloyd Beebe 1961

James Anderson 1970

Susan Thorton 1989

Bruce Westphal 1988

Levels of CPE offered: CPE

Extended units: Year long extended.

Persons instrumental in establishing CPE program:

Names, title/position, agency

David Belgum – Professor of Pastoral Care, Luther Northwestern Seminary

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT OF CPE AT HENNEPIN COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER: In 1956, Dr. David Belgum, a professor of Pastoral Care at Luther Northwestern Seminary, organized the first CPE program at HCMC. His work with the CPE program led to the establishment of a full-time chaplain at the hospital. In 1960, the hospital and the Council of Churches agreed to hire a full-time, Lloyd Beebe. In 1969, the Council provided the stipend for a one-year residency, but it was discontinued after three years because of financial reasons. In 1971, when a second supervisor had been hired, basic units were conducted throughout the year. In 1976, when that supervisor left, his salary was converted to a stipend for three full-time residents. In August 1984, Lloyd Beebe retired and Dale Stuepfert began to expand chaplaincy coverage. Since then we have offered four residency positions and a year long extended unit.

SIGNIFICANT FACTORS IN IT'S DEVELOPMENT: See above.

PROGRAM FUNDING – PRESENT, PAST, SOURCES: The program is part of the regular hospital budget and comes out of general funds. This is the way it has been since 1969.

UNIQUE FEATURES OF THE CENTER'S CPE PROGRAM: We are a county hospital, a Level 1 Trauma Center, and a teaching and research hospital with 24-hour a day in-house chaplaincy coverage.