**UND Department of Physician Assistant Studies**  
**Assessment of Program Goals**

1. **Provide a comprehensive academic and clinical educational experience for students and achieve first time PANCE scores at or above the national average and aggregate scores at 100%**.
   - a. Evaluation of student, preceptor, graduate and employer survey data in competency areas of medical knowledge, interpersonal and communication skills, patient care and professionalism (past 5 years):

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<th>Competency Area</th>
<th>9 mo.</th>
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<th>Graduation</th>
<th>Preceptor Evaluation Average</th>
<th>Graduate Survey (Assessed after 1 Year)</th>
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<td>Medical Knowledge</td>
<td>3.44</td>
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<td>Interpersonal &amp; Communication Skills</td>
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   - b. Students have a comprehensive clinical experience as evidenced by individual and cumulative review of case and time log data to include patient types, setting types, and systems. This includes, but is not limited to: preventative, emergent, acute and chronic patient encounters; pediatric, adult and geriatric ages; outpatient, emergency department, inpatient and operating room settings.

   - c. Critical Step Exam Scores (past 3 years):  
     - i. Comprehensive Objective Exam Score: 83.9%
     - ii. Final Clinical Exam Score: 83.6%
     - iii. PANCE Score: 95%/97%
       *PANCE Score data is first time taker/aggregate score; Five Year National First Time Taker Average: 97%

   - d. Graduation Rate  
     - i. Graduation Rate (past 5 years): 91%
     - ii. Attrition Rate (past 5 years): 9%
2. **Prepare graduates to be lifelong learners in clinical medicine.**
   a. Scholarly Project
      i. Completion (past 5 years): 100%
      ii. Average Score (past 5 years): 92.5%
   b. Gain a basic understanding of research methods and statistical analysis to improve comprehension of medical research studies and incorporate findings into clinical practice.
      i. Average scores from graduate survey data (past 5 years): 4.42
      ii. Average scores from employer survey data (past 5 years): 4.45
   c. Student Attendance at the North Dakota Academy of Physician Assistant Conference
      i. Each year students attend the North Dakota Academy of Physician Assistant Conference.
      ii. Each year eight students of the graduating class are selected to present their scholarly project posters at the conference.

3. **Prepare graduates to meet primary care workforce needs.**
   a. 32-35 weeks of supervised clinical practice experiences in primary care settings
      i. Number of primary care clinical sites in the past 5 years in rural/underserved areas: 51.6%
   b. Graduates in the past 5 years practicing in primary care (includes family medicine, urgent care, internal medicine, pediatrics and women’s health): 58.8%
   c. Graduates in the past 5 years practicing in rural/underserved areas: 37.7%

4. **Develop a culture of community involvement by providing service opportunities**
   a. Each student participates in a minimum of three community service projects over the course of the curriculum.