1. The groundbreaking *Accelerating Initiative* has been a two-year project to design models of interprofessional community-based education and practice, using a standardized approach across 16 sites, advanced practice nurse-led health teams, community partners and the broad engagement of students as valued team members.

2. By starting with the needs of specific high risk and underserved populations, rather than starting with the needs of the students and the health care systems, highly effective, integrated care and education programs in community settings can be designed and implemented.

3. Impact includes improved health, increased access to care, greater patient satisfaction, potential for a lower cost of care and enhanced clinical experiences and collaboration skills for students.

4. Everybody benefits from this new education-community partnership model -- students, people needing care and their families, care providers, community leaders and agencies, participating schools of nursing, their universities, and health care systems.

5. As a result of innovative implementation and positive, demonstrable impact, sites have also garnered new financial resources and support to help sustain programs.