HEALTHCARE IN PRACTICE #11 - Monday, April 3, 2017

Xavier’s health professions students gathered in the Arrupe Overlook on Monday, April 3, 2017 for the eleventh presentation in our “Healthcare in Practice” (HIP) series. Once each semester our health professions students welcome a speaker on a topic of broad interest to all the disciplines. HIP #11 featured Mr. Charles J. Barnett ’78, President, Healthcare Group at Cognitive Scale in Austin TX who presented “Demographics, Epidemiology and Technology: The Transformation of Service, Care, Support, and Information.”

Mr. Barnett is the recently retired President and now Advisor at the Healthcare Group of Cognitive Scale based in Austin, Texas. He retired just a few months ago after a 40-year career as a hospital and healthcare executive at several facilities, including St. Joseph’s Hospital in Mt. Clemens MI, St. Joseph Medical Center in Joliet IL, Fairfax Hospital in Falls Church VA, and Seton Healthcare in Austin TX, which is part of the Ascension Healthcare System in St. Louis MO, the largest Catholic system in the USA. For Ascension, Mr. Barnett had two system-related roles—as Senior VP responsible for the local health ministries of Ascension Health in Arkansas, Florida, Indiana, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, and Texas, and as President of Healthcare Operations and COO for all of Ascension. Charles has long had an interest in and involvement with technology, as early in his career he was President of Ibis Systems in Sterling Heights MI, a firm that did data processing consultation and new product development. He has been involved in technology planning and implementation at numerous facilities over many years. He even served as a member of the healthcare advisory board for IBM’s Watson project and deployed Watson Technology at Seton. He is teaching at the University of Texas at Austin.

From left: Katie Winoker, Occupational Therapy; Lauren Sweeney, MHSA ‘18; Charles Barnett, ’78; Ross Cirincione, MHSA ‘19; Amy Cleves, Radiologic Technology; Emily Zerhusen, Nursing

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