

NEXT-GEN NURSING EDUCATION

STREAMLINE AND STRENGTHEN
STUDENT-CENTRIC
PERSONALIZED LEARNING

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BUZZ



Collaborative problem-solving is an essential competency for nurses and all health professionals. Healthcare, by necessity, can never be fully remote; however, the classroom has been steadily going digital. Skyscape has an innovative platform that integrates its medical library with a real-time communication platform, helping improve instructional outcomes in nursing.

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INTRODUCTION

Faculty and students alike are constantly reinventing nursing education to improve student learning. Concepts like flipped classrooms, personalized learning, gamification, and remote learning are no longer experimental. Colleges and students must embrace technology to communicate and collaborate effectively in order to benefit fully from these novel approaches.

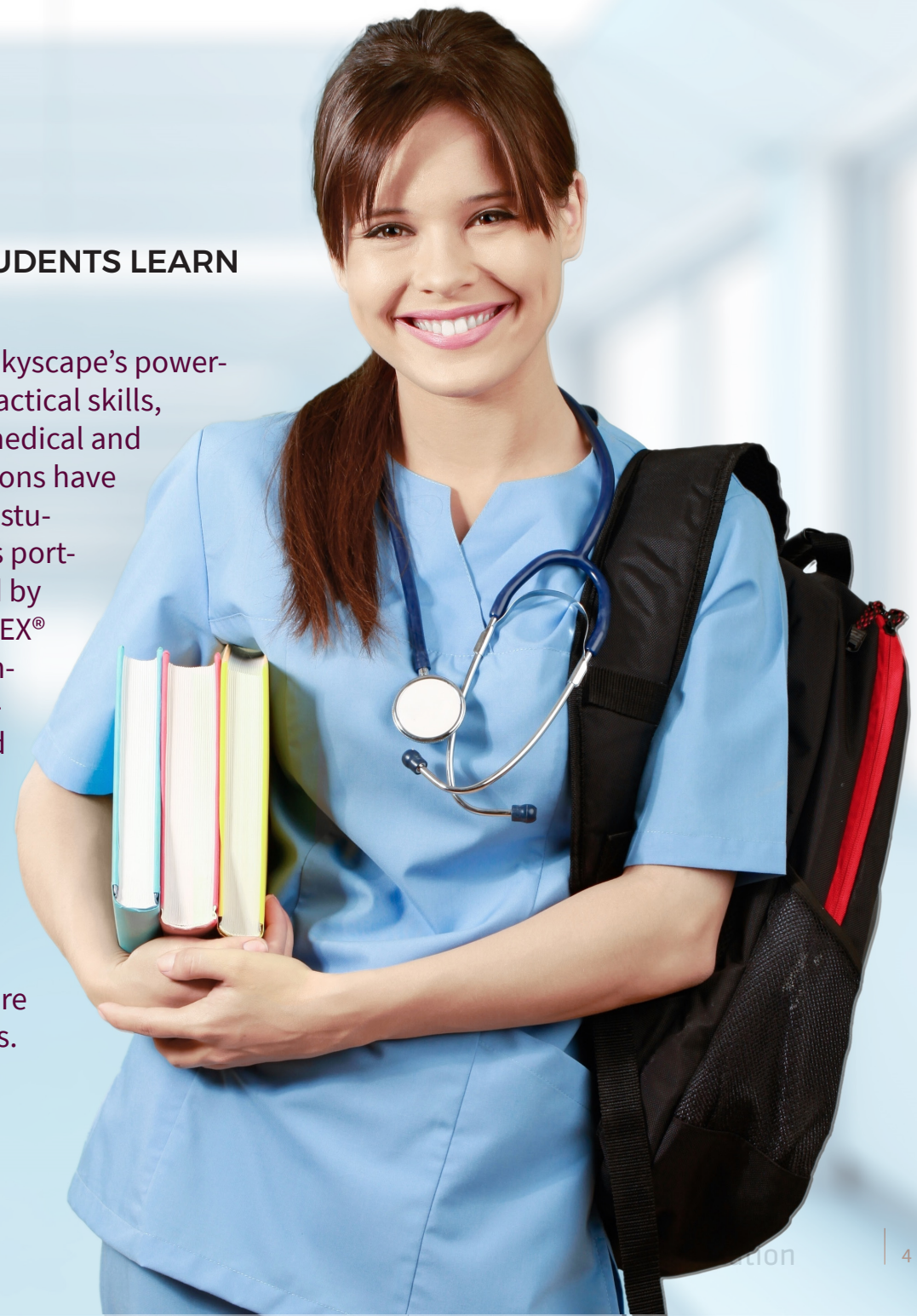
Skyscape's innovative medical library, combined with the recently introduced real-time collaboration platform, has elevated the entire educational experience to a new level. With the power of Skyscape's Integrated Knowledge and Collaboration platform, both students and educators can move forward with their daily tasks, focusing on learning in a student-centered manner. Skyscape's intuitive and context-sensitive technology facilitates the educational journey across the entire continuum, from admission to graduation and beyond.

THE FUTURE IS HERE

ENHANCING THE WAY TEACHERS TEACH & STUDENTS LEARN

Nursing students, educators, and institutions are using Skyscape's powerful mobile-first technology to inspire critical thinking, practical skills, and hands-on learning. Since Skyscape launched their medical and nursing educational library in 2000, hundreds of institutions have deployed its platform, benefitting over a million nursing students. Educators have consistently embraced Skyscape's portfolio of complimentary educational content, encouraged by impressive results in key learning metrics, including NCLEX® pass rates. Skyscape's recent introduction of Buzz, a communication and collaboration platform, represents a significant leap toward a truly student-centric, personalized education with robust capabilities to facilitate remote education.

This document highlights how educational institutions worldwide can benefit from by deploying Skyscape's next-gen platform. Whether your focus is teaching or administration, Skyscape's platform streamlines the entire educational experience leading to much better outcomes.



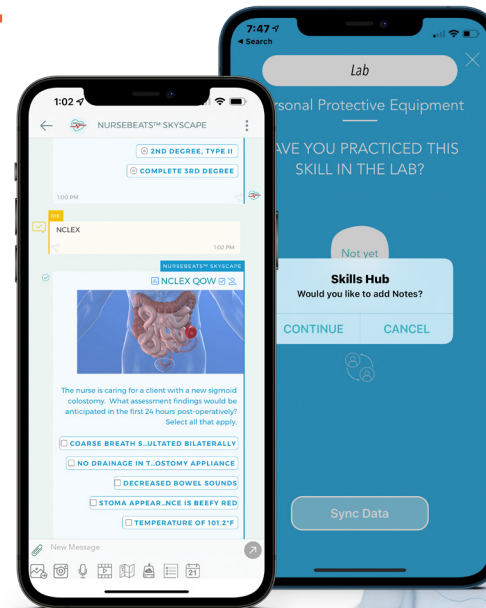
THE EDUCATORS' PERSPECTIVE

ENGAGE STUDENTS WITH COLLABORATIVE LEARNING METHODS

Clinical education is at the heart of nursing instruction. Nursing students and clinical nursing educators are the main stakeholders of the teaching/learning process. Educators have an added responsibility to ensure that students are adequately prepared to enter the nursing profession.

Integrating technology and communication has proven a promising strategy in building critical thinking and clinical skills for students. Skyscape's platform combines the necessary elements to equip students both with more solid educational foundations and practical real-world clinical skills, with the following benefits for the educators:

- Streamline student preparations for the classroom, licensing exams, lab, and clinic
- Help Improve subject mastery for the students
- Reduce skills failure as measured by examinations
- Eliminate faculty busywork, including paperwork, grading, and more
- Generate feedback for improved learning
- Monitor student progress and identifies areas for improvement
- Overcome challenges in remote instruction
- Auto-generate lists of student skills for review or for the prospective employers
- Roll out top-notch remote learning during COVID-19 lockdowns





I love the fact that Buzz has a chat-like interface to communicate. I am constantly texting with friends, so being able to do the same for my education is natural. I am always able to get the help I need from the faculty.

THE STUDENTS' PERSPECTIVE

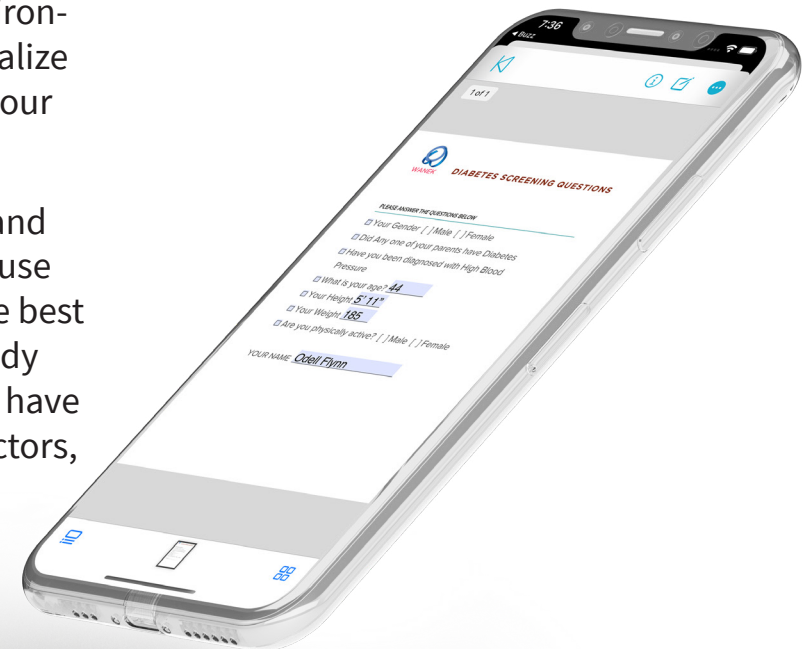
LEVERAGE TECHNOLOGY FOR FOCUSED & PERSONALIZED LEARNING

Let's face it, today's students love their technology; especially their phones! So why not meet them on their favorite turf, where they thrive? By deploying effective technology to enable digital learning methodologies, we enable students to be successful. Skyscape has made it extremely easy for students to embrace these methods independent of their environment. Just as you can personalize emojis, you can personalize your classroom activities too.

Skyscape has free resources and tools to get started. And because it's free to activate, Buzz is the best place for students to form study groups and class groups, and have 1:1 conversations with instructors, test-prep bots, and tutors.

We are pleased to introduce a great platform where you can share and exchange notes as easily as you publish a Tweet or Instagram post. Did we mention the great test-prep and free tutoring support that's available as well?

We can't wait to see how you use Skyscape and Buzz!



SKYSCAPE'S BUZZ

Skyscape's Medical Knowledge platform is a mobile & cloud-based clinical educational and decision support technology that aggregates gold-standard trusted medical and nursing content licensed from the world's leading publishers and content providers. During the past two decades, Skyscape's nursing portfolio has been deployed in over one thousand nursing institutions, supporting educators with an effective technological backbone for classroom training, licensure prep, and clinical rotations.

Buzz Secure Medical Communication & Collaboration platform facilitates real-time, secure, on-the-go informational exchanges between instructors, students, and administrators to achieve highly efficient, and student-centric communication. Buzz is both FERPA-compliant and HIPAA-compliant, making it an ideal platform for use during and after the educational journey. It offers simple-to-use remote phone and video communication support, enables an efficient document collaboration workflow, and provides seamless inte-

gration with leading Learning Management Systems.

BUZZ CAPABILITIES

- Facilitate HIPAA- and FERPA-secure communication between educators, administrators, and students.
- Create custom organizations for more secure protocols and greater control of groups and cohorts.
- Form groups to organize class communication for lessons, homework, peer-to-peer reviews, and more.
- Utilize a multitude of communication features to improve daily workflows including secure messaging, VOIP calling, video chat, dictation, BuzzFlow, Skyscape Lightning, BuzzPoll.
- Lightning™ access to Skyscape's Medical Reference Library via CloudLink.

Getting started as an educator only takes a few minutes. Use this guide to incorporate Buzz to create a productive digital environment whether you are on-campus or remote or anywhere in between.



We were able to replace as much as 50% of underutilized class time by shifting many of the traditional classroom activities to be handled by Skyscape's technology.

Amy Austin

SEAMLESS COMMUNICATION

COLLABORATING IN REAL-TIME

From office hours to small groups with the Buzz platform you can serve your students where they are on campus, at home, at work.

- Virtual office hours should continue to be part of your teaching practice. Virtual office hours allow flexibility for you as an instructor and for your students, who can connect while commuting or quarantining.
- Students, teaching assistants, clinical instructors, and faculty can create small groups to discuss topics, tutor in real-time, or broadcast information.
- Practicing communication and collaboration will prepare students for their future as health care professionals.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Campus life isn't all about academics. With Buzz, you can create discussion groups for clubs, societies, and other groups.

Here are some ideas:

- Creating groups for campus social and support organizations can develop more engaged students.
- Posting recurrent group meetings using Buzz event scheduler makes it easy to form cohesive, functional student groups.



ONBOARDING WITH EASE

It's easy to get started with Skyscape's Buzz. If you are registered for any Skyscape resource, you are already a member of Skyscape's growing Buzz Community. If not, simply visit, <http://skyscape.com/register> and create an account.

1. Once registered, you can download the mobile app (Android or iOS) or use it on a desktop/laptop browser at <https://buzz.skyscape.com> and login by following the screen prompts.
2. Create Buzz groups for administrative departments, student cohorts, and classes. To plan your groups it may be helpful to model after brick and mortar offices/classrooms and expand as you and your team see fit.

3. Create a Buzz group for each class that contains

information for classroom work, discussions, group meetups, and office hours.

4. Create or Update your Buzz profile. Include a clear photo and your details (encourage everyone to do the same). These details will help build your community and help members get to know you and others. You can set your profile settings to include office hours, areas of instruction, and more.
5. Buzz can be used for campus life too. Create groups for student clubs and organizations, and for the tutoring center.
6. Faculty and campus administrators can create groups to discuss everything from classes, to students, recruitment, vaccine & immunization status with clinical sites, student offerings, and more.



We onboarded our students with Skyscape's training team. In just one session, the students were quickly able to pick up and they can be as prepared as possible.

Tyra Rideaux

ENHANCED LEARNING EXPERIENCE

LEVERAGE BUZZ FOR OFFICE HOURS & GROUP CONVERSATIONS

Setting up virtual office hours is easy and does not require additional software.

1. Create a group with your class name and invite the students and TA's.
2. Start a Buzz video call, just tap the Video icon while in the group and group members will be called to join.
3. Once the video session has started you can add someone to the call by just tapping add to call and entering in an email or phone number.

Students in the group can post questions or comments while in or out of class, and faculty, TA's, or classmates can reply. Faculty can gauge understanding of the material and often get greater participation than they would in a live in-person class.

1. Want to dive deeper into lecture subjects? Create a group on a specific class, lecture, or issue and invite a subset of the class.

2. Open communication lines: Faculty can follow up with students as a class or one on one to clarify subject matter.
3. Buzz Polling: Easily create a poll to quiz students. Use participation as a ticket to class or confirm participation post-class.





Skyscape's context-sensitive integration with the reference library is unique. Students are able to get to the credible information within seconds. This is a big time saver.

Jennifer Walker



INTEGRATED MEDICAL LIBRARY

TRUSTED NURSING CONTENT MEETS NEXT-GEN TECHNOLOGY

Over one thousand nursing programs have deployed Skyscape resources in their curriculum, the most popular bundle being the Nursing Constellation Plus™, a collection of popular educational titles in nursing school curriculum including drug guides, medical & nursing dictionaries, clinical consults, clinical calculators, and more.

Skyscape's Skills Hub platform allows students to master nursing skills, track progress in the lab and in the clinic and allows faculty to provide feedback. This platform also allows students to track their patient encounters and time spent at a clinical site Learn More About Skills Hub.

Skyscape NCLEX® Apps include thousands of practice questions for effective test preparation and readiness.

Skyscape has now deployed the next generation of access with Buzz Lightning™. This allows the access of the entire knowledge library in-the-context of conversation without using Google search or shuffling through apps. It is the same gold-standard content but accessed without an effort.

You can access the library in one of the two ways:

1. If there is a question or concept for which you need an answer, you can type it in the Lightning chat, simply as if you are asking an expert.
2. If there is a group or 1:1 conversation about a educational or clinical topic, you can just tap the Lightning button and you will be presented with the instant answers, right within the conversation.

ACADEMIC SUPPORT

REAL-TIME CONNECTIONS WITH EDUCATORS & TUTORS

Skyscape's Buzz platform enables real-time connection between students and educators, whether chat, phone, or video communication.

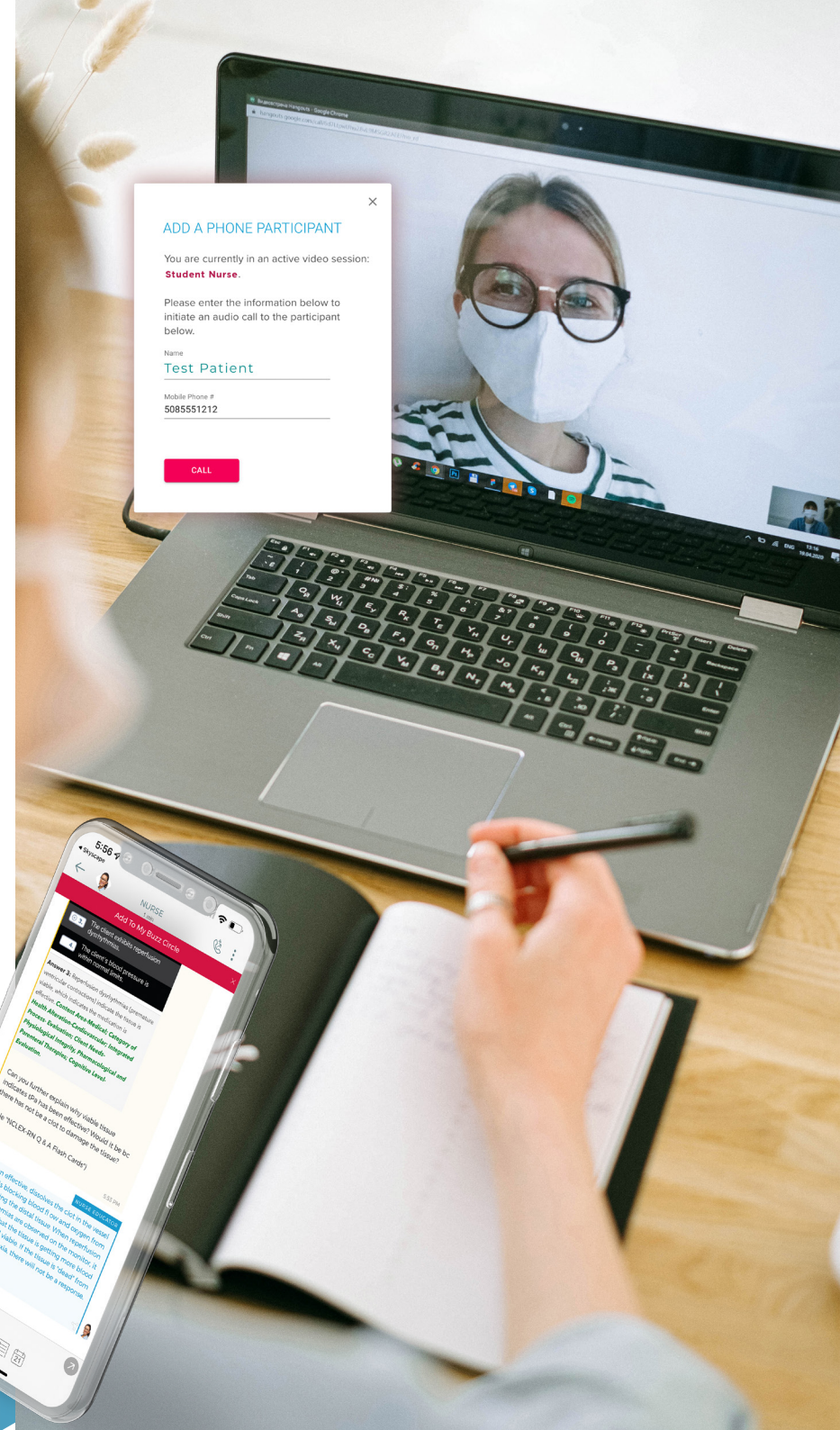
For example, most of the nursing reference titles, including the NCLEX test-prep titles, offer a 1:1 conversation with an expert to answer questions that invariably pop up while learning. Students are comfortable communicating in a mode that is as easy as sending a text message to get an answer.

Additionally, with versatile phone and video capabilities offered through the Buzz platform, many instructors are able to provide hands-on training for practical matters like patient-conversations and other social interactions that are critical in nursing. It should

be noted that the platform offers this capability even while being remote.

In addition, the dashboards offered by Skyscape's Skills Hub enables the educators to monitor student progress, skills mastery and provide encouragement or intervention when necessary without adding administrative burdens in the process.

Ultimately, Skyscape's technology enables enhanced student performance, while reducing burdens that bog down faculty members and students alike.



ADMINISTRATION

STREAMLINE & STRENGTHEN RECRUITMENT, ADMISSION & OPERATIONS

With the power and flexibility of Buzz communication, a college can personalize the admissions process from start to finish. Friendly reminders and inviting conversations give prospective students a chance to feel heard—and an extra reason to say ‘yes’ to your school. With the added benefit of FERPA-compliance, the conversations remain private and secure.

Faculty and administration groups can be used to securely share confidential information. Department groups can be created within the organization for everything from faculty, clinical faculty, instructors, and teaching assistants.

To keep your community informed, groups can be created that are broadcast-only. Here, campus information such as closures and events can be shared.

The platform can be used to deepen relationships with your alumni and students through personalized messages. Share the information they need to attend events, participate in fundraising campaigns, stay informed on campus updates, and get involved with everything your school has to offer.

In short, you can build stronger networks with alumni and students.

1. Forms can be digitally signed within Buzz and returned, without the hassle of printing, signing, scanning, and uploading.
2. Groups can be polled for input on a project or events



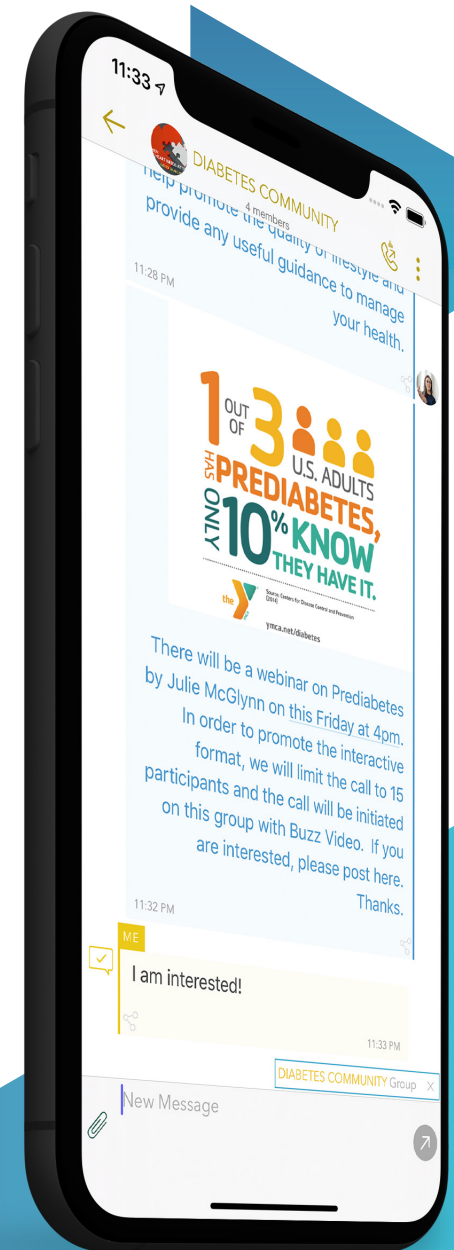
EXPANDING HORIZONS

BUZZ MAKES IT EASY TO COMMUNICATE WITH EXTERNAL COMMUNITIES

Extending communication and collaboration to include outside community partners is as simple as adding an individual to a group or forming a new group. We recommend creating internal guidelines as to who can be added to specific groups (clinical partners, administrators, etc).

Buzz gives you the flexibility to add a group member, and tools to limit or allow access to all prior communications within that group. This ability to grant, withdraw, or limit access is important in real-life situations where external community partners undergo frequent changes. By enabling access to past discussions, new group members can get up to speed without requiring the larger group to rehash conversations or critical information.

With these simple steps, you and your organization are well on your way to creating a highly functional learning environment, customized to your institutional needs.





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