Students from the College of Health Professions (CHP) built their interprofessional team skills on Oct. 12th as part of their Five-Star Fridays agenda. Seventy-eight students from four different professions — nursing, nutrition, speech language and emergency medical services were in attendance to sharpen their understanding of geriatric team-based care.

(Pictured above are students participating in a team-building icebreaker that had them working together with marshmallows and toothpicks to build the tallest model. The goal of the exercise was to introduce the team members to one another and build their willingness to collaborate and work together in preparation for professional teamwork focused on patient care planning.)

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