# **Education Report**

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#### Nursing Program Administrator Updates:

- **Coffeyville Community College** has announced that effective January 1, 2020 Heather Pollet, MSN, APRN will be the new Dean of Career & Technical Education. Anastasia O'Connell, MS, RN has been named as the new Director of Nursing. Anastasia has been with Coffeyville CC nursing program since 2011.
- **Benedictine College** announced that effective December 16, 2019, Lynne Connelly, PhD, RN will be the Interim Director of Nursing for the college.
- Washburn University announced that effective February 10, 2020, Jane Carpenter, PhD, MSN, RN has been named as the permanent Dean for the School of Nursing. Dr. Carpenter has been serving as the Interim Dean for the past year.

## **Program Updates**:

- **Rasmussen College** has announced that effective October 2020 they will officially become Rasmussen University.
- **Donnelly College** has submitted responses to all recommendations and opportunities from September site visit for the ADN program.

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## Site Visits:

- University of St. Mary, reapproval visits for BSN program and MSN-FNP program with CCNE on January 29, 30 & 31
- Salina Area Technical College, PN program on February 25-26 for follow up after first graduation

## My Projects:

- Assisted in ensuring applicants meet educational requirements for licensure:
  - Reviewed 12 transcripts from out of state schools
  - Reviewed 18 CGFNS reports for foreign educated nurses (all were RN reports)
  - Four TOEFL results submitted with endorsements two were approved with required scores; two were denied
- *FQRs* processed and approved **105** Faculty Qualification Reports
  - 71 were initial requests
  - 34 were updates to previous FQRs
  - 24 had Degree plans

- 30 had requests for Hire Exceptions
- 11 were returned as incomplete
- *Minor Curriculum changes* reviewed and approved requests;
  - $\circ$  Kansas City KS Community College, Generic ADN program switch a prerequisite course with a 1<sup>st</sup> semester course no change of content or credit hours
  - MidAmerica Nazarene University, ABSN program 3 courses that will be split from single, 3 credit hour courses into 2, 1.5 credit hour courses. This will prevent courses from crossing over semesters which has created financial aid issues for those in the accelerated program. There is no change in credit hours or delivery method for these courses.
  - University of Kansas, DNP program replacing NRSG 938: Informatics and Technology Applications with IPHI 850: Introduction to Health Informatics with no credit hour change.
  - Hutchinson Community College, PN program increase Foundations of Nursing clinical from 1 to 2 credit hours (this is within the flex credit allowed)
- Responded to six NCSBN survey requests from other state Boards of Nursing. Topics were:
  - Licensure requirements for online nursing courses
  - RN diploma programs
  - English proficiency requirements
  - APRN scope of practice can they perform abortions
  - Fees for out-of-state/ distance learning clinical placements in our state
  - BSN program requirements for number of clinical hours?
- 2019 scholarship applications received and reviewed by Board members and top 2 RN and top 2 PN students were selected
- Reviewing education information on KSBN website and updating links
  - Currently have a fillable PDF form for FQRs but the process is unable to be completed electronically. New process is coming that will allow submission and return approval to be entirely electronic.
  - Slide deck from New Program Administrator orientation is available on the website on the Program Administrator resource page
- Prepared and submitted 2019 Annual NCLEX program reports to Nursing Program Administrators the week of January 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Responded to 24 higher education entities regarding Kansas approval for / educational requirements for advanced practice nursing programs. A requirement from the Department of Education has all schools with distance learning programs or hybrid programs researching requirements for all states where they could accept students from.
- Attended half-day virtual conference on the 2020 NCSBN Nursing Education Approval Guidelines