# **Education Report**

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### Nursing Program Updates:

- Manhattan Area Technical College announced that on October 1, 2021, Kimberly Davis, MSN, RN was named Dean of Nursing Education and Health Programs as a permanent position. Kim had been serving in an Interim role since May 2021 and has been faculty at MATC since 2010.
- Hesston College announced that Gregg Schroeder, PhD, MSN, RN has accepted the position of full-time Nursing Program Administrator for Hesston. Gregg has been serving in an Interim role since August 2021 and has been on the faculty since 2009.

**Site Visits:** Nine site visits were completed September 8<sup>th</sup> through November 18<sup>th</sup>. The Board had given go ahead to contact schools about preference for onsite or virtual meetings for this fall. National accreditation teams are still a mix of onsite and virtual and many of the fall visits were in conjunction with accreditation. Though only one visit was initially scheduled as virtual, two visits ended up being done virtually due to a potential COVID exposure. Visits completed were:

- Garden City Community College ADN onsite
- Kansas City Kansas Community College PN and ADN w/ ACEN onsite
- Washburn Tech PN onsite
- Hesston College BSN w/ CCNE virtual
- Cloud County Community College Satellite ADN, initial for Geary Co. campus onsite
- Seward County Community College ADN w/ ACEN onsite
- North Central Kansas Technical College, Hays PN and ADN w/ ACEN onsite
- Newman University RNA program w/ COA changed to virtual by COA
- Colby Community College PN onsite

### **Education Activities / Projects**

- Assisted in ensuring applicants meet educational requirements for licensure:
  - Reviewed 5 transcripts from out of state schools / military programs
  - Reviewed 14 CGFNS reports and 5 TOEFL reports for internationally educated nurses
    - Philippines 6
    - Kenya 3
    - 1 each from Jamaica, Egypt, Tanzania, Lebanon and India

- *FQRs* Faculty Qualification Reports moved to an all-electronic process via the website on June 30, 2020. FQR activity this quarter:
  - o 148 FQRs submitted this quarter (78 from BSN programs, 40 ADN, 25 PN, 5 APRN)
    - 100 were Initial requests
    - 48 were updates to previous FQRs
    - 47 for Full-time positions, 99 Adjuncts, 2 Part-time
  - 32 submitted with Degree plans (21 for BSN programs, 10 ADN, 1 PN)
  - 46 submitted with Hire Exceptions (21 for BSN programs, 19 ADN, 6 PN)
  - $\circ$  10 updated FQRs submitted for completion of Degree plans
  - o 25 submitted FQRs were incomplete
    - 14 due to transcript issues missing, not official copies, wrong transcript
    - 4 hire exceptions and degree plans submitted without an FQR. ALL hire exception and degree plans require an FQR. If current faculty, then an update FQR is required.
    - 7 FQRs submitted without a degree plan or hire exception for faculty without required degree.
- *Minor Curriculum changes* four schools submitted requests for minor curriculum changes. All requests were reviewed and approved.
  - KU SON Undergrad program had three course title changes for practicum courses to focus course on synthesizing information from theory and previous clinical rather than linked to only one course
  - *KU RNA program* change in course sequence and a change to course credit hours with no overall change in program credit hours
  - Emporia State University BSN change in title and/or course objectives for four courses.
  - $\circ$  Cloud CCC -
- **Responded** to 12 potential petitioners regarding KS requirements for NCLEX exam and licensing. Three of the twelve were past their "five-years from graduation" mark. Three (3) petitioners completed the conditions of their petition and were made eligible to test. Currently have 16 active petitioners with six completed petitions still in the process of testing.
- Responded to 11 requests from higher education entities or potential students regarding Kansas approval for / educational requirements for prelicensure undergraduate and 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 from which they could accept students.
- Follow up on the NCSBN / KSBN Core Data Annual report continues. NCSBN is in the process of compiling the core data from the nine pilot states who completed the surveys in their state. Analysis of the COVID-19 data collected was done first and a report will be available soon. A

comparative report of Kansas to other pilot states is also in process and a copy will be provided to Kansas when complete.

- Other Information:
  - NCSBN has designed a new website for all things NCLEX. The site was designed to provide a more efficient and streamlined way to get the most current and accurate information about NCLEX. The new site, <u>nclex.com</u>, gives information on:
    - Registration process
    - How NCLEX works test plans, info on computer adaptive testing and the passing standard
    - Helpful resources to help with NCLEX success
    - Candidate rules and tips for testing
    - Exam results
    - Answers to frequently asked questions and contact information
  - Attended KCADNE Fall Forum on October 28-29, 2021 at the Rolling Hills Zoo Conference Center in Salina, KS. Day one was dedicated to conversation about civility in Academia and day two was on the NCLEX Next Gen Learning & Assessment.
  - $\circ$  Other things in process:
    - review of annual report data on faculty and faculty degree information
    - assisting to compile updated information for the next U.S. Dept. of Education report for KSBN due next spring
    - updating site visit guidelines to align with algorithms and information learned from virtual site visits in 2020-21.