

Education Report

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Nursing Program Updates:

- **Rasmussen University, Topeka campus**, has moved the ADN and BSN programs to their new location in Topeka at: 3722 SW Burlingame Road, Topeka, KS, 66609. Rasmussen also announced that effective May 1, 2023, Karin Polifko, PhD, RN, CNE, NEA-BC will be the new VP of Nursing and Associate Provost for Rasmussen University-wide.
- **Salina Area Technical College** announced that effective May 9, 2023, Naomi Tatro, MSN, RN would be the new Director of Nursing and Allied Health. SATC has both PN and ADN level programs.
- **Johnson County Community College, ADN program** – long time nursing program director, Karen LaMartina, PhD, RN will be retiring June 30th, 2023. Effective July 1, 2023, Dr. Lori Shank will be taking over as the full-time nursing program director for the ADN nursing program.
- **University of Saint Mary** notified KSBN that effective May 4, 2023, Dr. Karen Kidder assumed the duties of Chair, Division of Nursing. She will serve as Interim Chair and BSN program director until a search is completed for a new permanent Division Chair.
- **Newman University, Nurse Anesthesia program** – effective May 15, 2023, the DNAP program at Newman has a new Director, Kimyatta Brent, DNAP, CRNA and a new Assistant Director, Peter Strube, DNAP, CRNA. Current Director and AD are returning to full-time anesthesia practice.

Site Visits: Three site visits were completed March -April 2023. One was an initial visit for a new LMHT program and two were reapproval visits. All site visits were done in person. Visits completed were:

- CAMBER Children's Mental Health (Hays) – initial visit for proposed LMHT program
- Butler Community College (El Dorado) – reapproval visit for PN program
- Kansas Wesleyan University (Salina) – reapproval visit for BSN program (in conjunction with CCNE visit)

Education Activities / Projects

- Assisted in ensuring applicants meet educational requirements for licensure:
 - Reviewed 14 transcripts from out of state schools / military programs
 - Reviewed **36 CGFNS** reports with 1 requiring English Language Proficiency testing prior to approval of licensure:
 - Kenya – 18
 - Philippines – 10
 - Canada - 3
 - 1 each from Ghana, Israel, Nigeria, Puerto Rico, South Africa

- **FQRs** – Faculty Qualification Reports - all-electronic process via website since June 30, 2020.
 - FQR activity this quarter:
 - 60 FQRs submitted this quarter (23 from BSN programs, 28 ADN, 8 PN, 1 APRN)
 - 26 were Initial requests
 - 34 were updates to previous FQRs
 - Majority were for Adjunct positions (34)
 - 5 submitted with Degree plans
 - 18 submitted with Hire Exceptions
 - 5 updated FQRs submitted for completion of Degree plans
 - 2 submitted FQRs were incomplete – both due to transcript issues – missing, not official copies, wrong transcript

- **Minor Curriculum changes** – five schools submitted requests for minor curriculum changes. All requests were reviewed and approved.
 - *Neosho Community College* – ADN program
 - *Emporia State* – BSN program – two requests
 - *KU SON* – BSN program
 - *Washburn University* – Grad program

- **Petitions:**
 - Currently have 20 active petitioners with five being repeat petitioners. One completed petitioner still in the process of completing testing.
 - One (1) petitioner completed the conditions of their petition this quarter and made eligible to test. Completer tested and failed exam.
 - Four petitions expired without being completed. Three are past the five-year mark and will have to retake nursing courses to retest.
 - Completed five KORA requests this quarter for NCLEX Candidate Performance Reports for potential petitioners

- **Petition Stats:** MAR 2017 – MAR 2023
 - 177 petitions:
 - 19 are currently in process (11.2%)
 - 76 expired without completing (44.4%)
 - 76 completed (44.4%)
 - 39 tested – failed (51%)
 - 32 tested – passed- licensed (42%)
 - 4 completed and never tested (5%)
 - 2 completed and tested – never licensed in KS (2%)
 - 1 completed (1/23) and waiting to test

- **Inquiries regarding Kansas regulations for nursing programs:** Responded to several requests from higher education entities or potential students regarding Kansas approval for out of state or online 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. A new data and information sheet for APRN education programs was placed on the website to help answer these types of questions.

- **KSBN/NCSBN Core Data Survey and Education Annual Report.**
 - Link for the 2023 Education Annual report survey was sent to program administrators on April 19, 2023. Link will stay “live” until June 30, 2023 at midnight.
 - Notification will be sent to all programs at the midway point to remind them of the deadline. The June 30 due date is in regulation.
 - Orientation video and written instructions are on the KSBN website under the Education tab. No formal orientation sessions were held this year.

- **Other Activities:**
 - Reviewing and revising the KSBN site visit guidelines and drafting a new template for self-studies done by nursing programs prior to onsite visit
 - Researching reinstatement regulations and processes from other states to see how others are working to get nurses with inactive licenses back in the work force. Also looking at regulations and guidelines for NCLEX testing for initial licensing. Research to be presented to the Education Committee for discussion.
 - Working on a more formal complaint process regarding nursing programs. There has been an increased incidence of complaints being reported to KSBN on Kansas nursing programs. Have drafted complaint forms, instruction sheet and currently working on an FAQ document to go with the process.
 - Enrolled in ICRS course on Questionnaire Design April - June

- April – participated in Kansas Active Shooter training with KDHE employees (out on site visit during session for KSBN)
- May – participated in NRB Review of the NCLEX exam with other board members and staff. Review was done on the new Next Generation NCLEX.

Reminders:

- *NextGen NCLEX* began on April 1, 2023 for both PN and RN applicants. NCSBN has created a website specifically for NCLEX NextGen information and resources: <https://www.nclex.com/next-generation-nclex.page>. Resources are available that could be useful for faculty as well as students.
- The *2023 Clinical Teaching Institute and Kansas Nurse Educator Conference* will be held July 19-21, 2023, at Newman University in Wichita, KS. Registration is open at: https://www.eeds.com/portal_live_events.aspx?ConferenceID=272136.
- *NCSBN 2023 (Virtual) NCLEX Conference* is open for registration at: <https://www.ncsbn.org/events/2023-nclex-conference>. The conference is being held September 21, 2023 and will be held virtually.