

Education Report

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Nursing Program Updates:

- **Kansas City KS Community College** notified KSBK that effective 7/1/2023, Dr. Bronyal McFadden was named as Interim Director of Nursing Education for the college. Dr. McFadden is an experienced faculty member at KCKCC. On 8/2/23, a formal letter announced Dr. McFadden's had accepted a permanent appointment as the DONE.
- **Newman University, BSN program**, announced that on June 30, 2023, Teresa Vetter MSN, APRN-CNS would be retiring as Director of Nursing for the Newman BSN program and effective July 1, 2023, Ashton Clarkson, MSN, RN would be the new nursing program director.
- **Flint Hills Technical College** announced that effective July 31, 2023, Elveanna (Anna) Crabtree, MSN, RN will be the new Director of the Practical Nursing program at FHTC.
- **Garden City Community College** announced that after more than a decade of service to GCCC, Patsy Zeller, MSN, APRN, FNP has retired as the Director of Nursing. Effective 8/1/2023, Shellie Emahizer, MSN, RN has been named the Interim Director for the nursing program.

Education Activities / Projects

- Assisted in ensuring applicants meet educational requirements for licensure:
 - Reviewed 5 transcripts from out of state schools - 1 PN, 2 RN and 2 Masters' Entry RN programs.
 - Reviewed 18 CGFNS reports with 3 requiring English Language Proficiency testing prior to approval of licensure:
 - Philippines – 8
 - Kenya – 2
 - India - 2
 - 1 each from Albania, Brazil, Colombia, Jamaica, Nepal, Nigeria
- **FQRs** – Faculty Qualification Reports - all-electronic process via website since June 30, 2020.
 - FQR activity this quarter:
 - 49 FQRs submitted this quarter (23 from BSN programs, 19 ADN, 5 PN, 2 APRN)
 - 29 were Initial requests
 - 20 were updates to previous FQRs
 - Majority were for Full-time positions (25)

- 6 submitted with Degree plans
 - 14 submitted with Hire Exceptions
 - 6 updated FQRs submitted for completion of Degree plans
 - 8 (up from 2) submitted FQRs were *incomplete* – all due to transcript issues – missing, not official copies, wrong transcript
- **Minor Curriculum changes** – three schools submitted requests for minor curriculum changes. All requests were reviewed and approved.
 - *Kansas City KS Community College* – ADN program
 - *University of Kansas* – Graduate program
 - *Benedictine College* – BSN program
- **Petitions:**
 - Currently have 22 active petitioners with three being repeat petitioners.
 - One (1) petitioner completed the conditions of their petition this quarter and made eligible to test. Completer tested and passed exam.
 - Five petitions expired without being completed. Four are past the five-year mark and will have to retake nursing courses to retest.
 - Completed three KORA requests this quarter for NCLEX Candidate Performance Reports for potential petitioners
 - **Petition Stats: MAR 2017 – JUN 2023**
 - 184 petitions:
 - 22 in process (12%)
 - 82 expired without completing (44.5%)
 - 80 completed (43.5%)
 - 40 tested – failed (50%)
 - 33 tested – passed- licensed (41.2%)
 - 4 completed and never tested
 - 2 completed and tested – never licensed in KS
 - 1 completed (JAN 23) and waiting to test
 - **Inquiries regarding Kansas regulations for nursing programs:** continue to respond to 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.
 - **Other Activities:**

- Attended a one-day virtual conference on *Chronic Disease Management* on June 8, 2023, presented through KU Area Health Education Center. Opening speaker gave an overview of the PERK Project done in rural Kansas. Also had speakers on epidemiology of chronic disease in KS, trauma-informed care, and lifestyle and chronic disease.
- Attended the *2023 Kansas Nurse Educator Conference* held July 20-21, 2023, at Newman University in Wichita, KS.
- 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.
- Completed three NCSBN Survey requests from other boards of nursing. Topics were:
 - Nurse Consultants – NV BON
 - Mandatory Clinical Hours – KY BON
 - Directors of Education – WA BON

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.
- *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.
- *KCADNE Fall Forum* will be held October 19-20, 2023, on the Butler Community College campus in El Dorado. Deadline for registration is **October 9!** Registration forms and fees may be sent to Stefanie Perret at Cloud County Community College.