

## **Staff Report**

Date: March 3, 2025

TO: KSBN Board Members

- FR: Janelle B. Martin, MHSA, RN Nursing Education Compliance Officer
- RE: December 2024 Education Staff Report

## Purpose of the Agenda Item and/or the Board Action Requested:

This report is an update on the activities of the Education Compliance Officer for November 15, 2024, through March 1, 2025, in support of the KSBN strategic plan. No Board action is requested at this time.

## Strategic Outcome and actions to support the outcome:

<u>Priority Objective 3 – 4 Oversee nursing education programs and continuing nursing</u> education providers to ensure requirements in the Nurse Practice Act are met:

- KAR 60-2-102
  - o Three site visits this quarter: all completed within regulatory time frames
    - 2 reapproval visits (Hutchinson CC ADN, PN)
    - *l* initial visit (Washburn Institute of Technology ADN)
  - Unscheduled site visit for cause was done for Donnelly College nursing programs on 2/11/25.
    - *Experienced Director left the college August 2024 Interim Director appointed*
    - *ADON resigned Dec. 2024 after classes complete; two other FT faculty also resigned FT; one stayed as Adjunct*
    - Nov-Dec. Received written complaints and calls from students that were concerning
    - Interim DON resigned FT position with the college Dec. 2024
    - No nursing director hired at time of school closure for the holidays. No notification to students by the college that there could be an issue for January start.
    - School reopened 1/6/25. New program director hired 1/10/25 with a 1/13/25 start date. Classes scheduled to begin 1/22/25.
    - Donnelly admitted 47 new PN and 15 new RN students as well as 78 PN and 7 RN students returning to finish or continue with programs.

- January Received more student calls with concerns about program
- Site visit report on Agenda
- KAR 60-2-103
  - **98 Faculty Qualification Reports were processed this quarter** (1Q25); 20 more received and awaiting approval.
  - o 62% were initial FQRs; 38% were updates
  - 44% (down from 56% last quarter) of the FQRs had Hire exceptions or Degree plans associated which means faculty did not meet regulatory requirements

<u>Priority Objective 3 – 5 Communication provided is high quality, clear, accurate, current and includes effective methods available to give feedback to the Board:</u>

- Submitted two NCSBN web surveys to all Education network participants regarding:
  - o 2:1 Simulation hours for clinical simulation do other states allow this
  - Faculty education requirements for BSN, ADN and PN programs
- Other Education Activities:
  - *Revision to the petition application process and recommendations for updates to the petition conditions*
  - LMHT exam task force Dr. Ruth Burkhart, Chair for Task Force. Reviewing current regulations and working on plan for updating current LMHT licensing exam
  - Annual report with NCSBN updating the report and are targeting April 1, 2025, as opening date for the survey.
  - NCSBN Education Network monthly calls stay connected with other state boards on education topics