



Practice Specialist Staff Report

Date: March 26, 2025

TO: KSBN Executive Administrator &
Board Members

FR: Linda Davies, Practice Specialist

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

This report is an update on the activities of the Investigative Division, aligning activities with the KSBN strategic plan initiatives which are indicated below.

Situation / Data:

KSBN Strategic Plan Priority #3, Objective 1: Applicants will be licensed timely after receipt of all required and approved information.

KSBN Strategic Plan Priority #3, Objective 2: Potential Nurse Practice Act violations submitted to the Board are reviewed and assessed

Applications requiring legal history review

Year	Total Applications Reviewed	Cases Currently Opened
2020	1,776	0
2021	1,970	0
2022	1,567	0
2023	1,544	2
2024	1,479	61
2025	265 (3/7/2025)	88

Complaints

Year	Received	Sworn	Not Opened	Significant Investigation
2020	576	104 18%	120	226 39%
2021	485	110 22%	99	204 42%
2022	576	124 21%	18	160 28%
2023	745	141 19%	123	180 24%
2024	768	159 20%	187	150 26%

2025	123 <i>(as of 3/7/25)</i>	29 24%	32	22 24%
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- Significant Investigation includes allegations of abuse, neglect, exploitation, drug diversion, workplace impairment

Cases relating to an alleged violation of the KNPA

Year	Total Cases Assigned by Year	Cases Currently Opened	Cases Processed Inactivated	Cases Pending Disciplinary Decision
2020	724	83	503	138 <i>(21%)</i>
2021	758	110	425	234 <i>(36%)</i>
2022	715	198	296	218 <i>(42%)</i>
2023	880	181	361	331 <i>(47%)</i>
2024	905	482	252	159 <i>(37%)</i>
2025	210 <i>(as of 3/7/25)</i>	148	36	24 <i>(39%)</i>
Total		1,202		

Discipline Cases – NCSBN Report for KSBN 01/01/2024-12/31/2024

- *KSBN Strategic Plan Priority #3, Objective #3 Discipline licensees who violate the NPA*



Open Records Request – timeframe: 07/01/2024 – 3/7/2025

- Received 89
 - Processed 81
 - Pending 8
 - *Using KITEWORKS to send document production
- Mailing List Requests 72

Background:

Since the last Board meeting in December, 2024:

- Updating policies and procedures relating to processing of Application Cases
- Implemented ArkCase software for open records relating to Mailing List Request
 - o Soft Go Live starts 4/1/2025 for all records requests
- Weekly discussions with System Automation re implementation of EVOKE
- Addressed nursing practice related inquiries via phone and email
 - o *KSBN Strategic Plan Priority #3, Objective #5: Communication provided is high quality, clear, accurate, current and includes effective methods available to give feedback to the Board. Expand digital forms of communication.*

Meetings attended:

- NCSBN Policy Knowledge Network – 12/16/2024
- Washburn Tech School of Nursing – Presented to PN Leadership class, January 28, 2025.
 - o *KSBN Strategic Plan Priority #1 Objective 4: Promote education about multistate licensure*
- NCSBN Discipline Knowledge Network – 2/27/2025

Attachments:

None