



Staff Report

Date: May 19, 2025

TO: KSBN Board Members

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Nursing Education Compliance Officer

RE: June 2025 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 March 15, 2025, through May 15, 2025, in support of the KSBN strategic plan. No Board action is requested at this time.

Strategic Outcome and actions to support the outcome:

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

- **KAR 60-2-102**
 - *Three **site visits** this quarter: all completed within regulatory time frames*
 - *Galen College – ADN: completed a follow up after first graduation visit for this program*
 - *Flint Hills Tech College – PN – per board actions this was a one year follow up to a reapproval visit to confirm all recommendations had been addressed*
 - *Cloud County Community College - initial visit for establishing a PN level program after Cloud's change to a bilevel designation for the ADN program*
 - *Notification from Osawatomie State Hospital that they are closing their LMHT program effective immediately, due to high turnover rates and large number of agency staff at the facility. There have been no graduates since 2021.*
 - *Changes in Nursing Program Administration through 5/15/25:*
 - *Washburn University announced that Jane Carpenter, Dean of Nursing, will be retiring at the end of June after 32 years with the School of Nursing. Dr. Crystal Stevens has been named as Interim Dean and will begin her new role on 7/1/2025.*

- **KAR 60-2-103**
 - *51 Faculty Qualification Reports were processed this quarter (2Q25).*
 - *63% were initial FQRs; 37% were updates – indicates more new faculty are being hired*
 - *35% (down from 56% in last quarter 2024) of the FQRs had Hire exceptions or Degree plans associated which means faculty did not meet regulatory requirements*

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

- *Submitted three NCSBN web surveys to all Education network participants regarding:*
 - *How other states handle conditional or probationary approval*
 - *Simulation – virtual vs. in-person – definitions are regulation*
 - *Tracking for nursing programs – how is data and information obtained and used*
- *Other Education Activities:*
 - *Discussed petition process with an Education Consultant group. Asked for input and recommendations possible petition conditions*
 - *LMHT exam task force – Dr. Ruth Burkhart, Chair for Task Force. Met again to finalize recommendation to the Education Committee and Board regarding the LMHT program being a licensure program.*
 - *Annual report with NCSBN – updated the Additional Questions section to further delineate how many nursing seats are available in Kansas and the possible reasons that spots aren't being filled. Changes should yield a more accurate picture of the nursing pipeline for KS schools. Annual report opened April 21, 2025, and all reports are due by June 30. Survey links were sent to 68 programs (PN, ADN, BSN, APRN). Three program are doing annual reports for the first time (new programs).*
 - *NCSBN Education Network monthly calls – stay connected with other state boards on education topics*