

# **Staff Report**

Date: August 19, 2025

TO: KSBN Board Members

FR: Janelle B. Martin, MHSA, RN

Nursing Education Compliance Officer

RE: September 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 May 15, 2025, through August 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:

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

#### • KAR 60-2-102

- One site visit this quarter:
  - Chamberlain University BSN: completed an initial site visit to the Overland Park campus
- Notification from University of Kansas that the Adult Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner program track is being closed. All students enrolled in the program have graduated. Records and transcripts will stay with KU.
- o Changes in Nursing Program Administration through 8/15/25:
  - Highland Community College announced the retirement of Anna Fowler as the Director of Nursing programs effective 6/30/25. Dr. Patty Palmietto has been named as the new Director beginning 7/1/2025.

## • KAR 60-2-103

- o 110 Faculty Qualification Reports were processed this quarter (3025).
- o 53% were initial FQRs; 47% were updates about 25% of the updates were those that completed degree plans to meet regulation for faculty

- o 37% of the FQRs had Hire exceptions or Degree plans associated which means faculty did not meet regulatory requirement for faculty (similar to 2Q25 but still down from a high of 56% in last quarter of 2024)
- o 53% were for BSN faculty; 35% for AND faculty; 8% for PN faculty; 4% for APRN faculty

# <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 one NCSBN web survey to all Education network participants regarding:
  - How other states handle NCLEX failure
- Submitted response and reviewed results for six NCSBN web surveys for Education on the following topics:
  - o Requirements for nursing program administrators
  - Use of e-Notify required or not
  - Work force violence data
  - Fees for board approved programs
  - Out of state programs and clinical sites
  - o Education program management software

#### • Other Education Activities:

- Continuing data gathering from other states and Education Consultants regarding NCLEX failure and our petition process. Looking for input and recommendations for possible update to policy for petition conditions
- LMHT task force follow up per request of the LMHT task force, Carol Moreland and Janelle Martin met with Scott Brunner and Melinda Gaul from KDADS to discuss pros and cons of moving LMHT from a licensure program under regulation by KSBN to a certificate program that might potentially be with KDADS. KDADS is planning to be available for the September board meeting.
- Annual report with NCSBN KSBN updated the Additional Questions section to ask three new questions that would 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 were returned prior to the June 30 deadline.
  - Surveys were completed by 68 programs (PN, ADN, BSN, APRN). Three programs were first time submissions.
  - Submissions are being reviewed by NCSBN survey team to ensure accuracy and completeness of the data. Raw data is expected by the end of August and NCSBN report for Kansas should be completed by October 1.
  - NEW met with NCSBN to discuss a Kansas dashboard similar to the one just developed by NCSBN for the aggregate program data from 36 states. The first national dashboard has the 2022 data and 2023 data is expected to be added soon.
- NCSBN Education Network monthly calls stay connected with other state boards on education topics such as AI in nursing education, Model Education Rules & Act from

- NCSBN, site visits virtual vs. in person.
- Attended the 2025 Kansas Nursing Education conference and Clinical Teaching Institute held at Newman University in Wichita on July 16-17.
- Attended NCSBN Annual meeting in Chicago August 13-15. Attended business meetings and forums to discuss AI in nursing regulation, Advanced Practice Nursing Education and regulation, effective strategies for finding NCSBN resources for Member Boards, and many networking opportunities.
- Started a mentoring relationship with an Education Consultant from the Wyoming Board of Nursing. She will be making a trip to Kansas to attend a site visit with a Kansas survey team this fall.
- Worked with Public Information Officer to draft two articles for the upcoming newsletter focusing on the importance of nursing program administrators in the leadership of nursing programs and on the importance of preceptors and clinical adjuncts for nursing programs as role models for nursing students and as a pipeline for schools as nursing faculty.