



## Practice Specialist Staff Report

Date: December 10, 2025

TO: KSBN Executive Administrator &  
Board Members

FR: Linda Davies, Practice Specialist

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

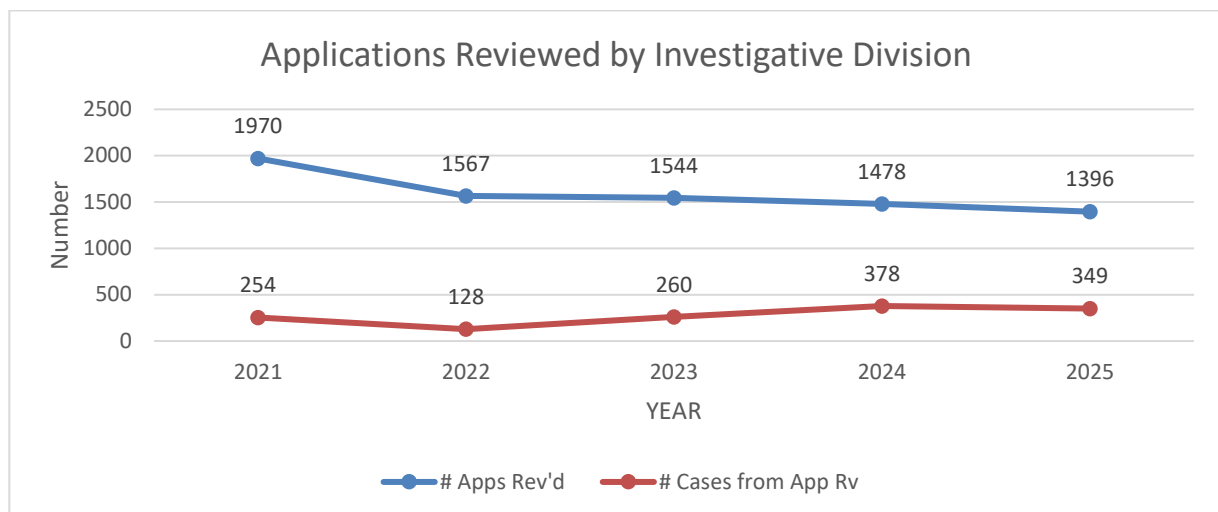
This report is an update on the activities of the Investigative Division, aligning activities with the KSBN strategic plan initiatives which are indicated below.

### 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*

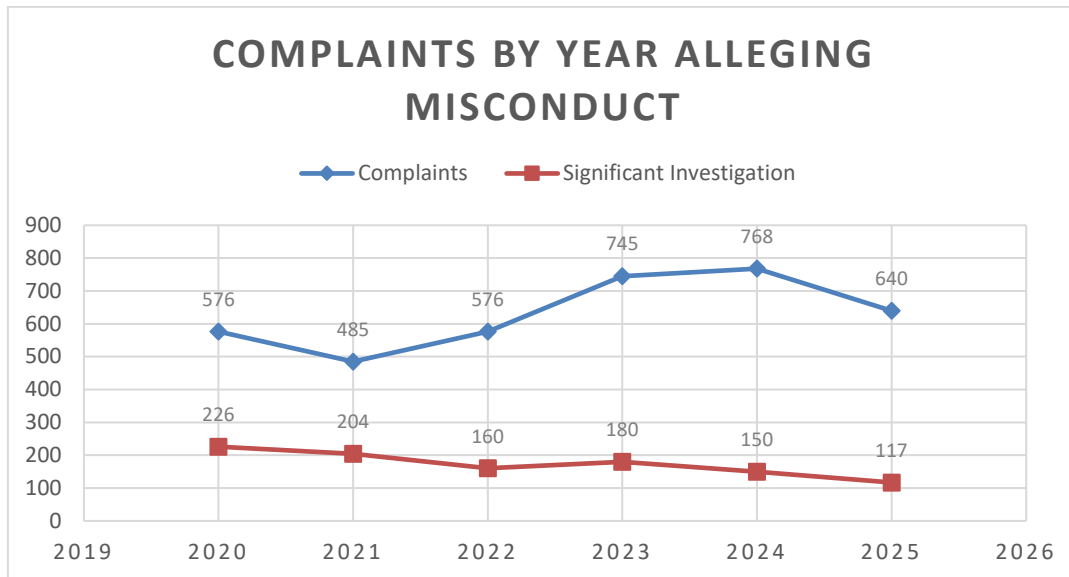
### Applications requiring legal history review (as of 11/20/2025)



Reasons for Investigative Division reviewing applications:

- 1) Criminal Background positive
- 2) Answers provided on application are flagged
- 3) HOLD in licensing software system, i.e. current open active case, discipline in another jurisdiction, on a List: FBI, OIG, ANE, etc

### Complaints received alleging violation of KNPA (as of 11/20/2025)



Complaint data are tracked to identify trends and opportunities for education.

- Sworn complaints received remain consistent about 20% over time
- Significant Investigations equates to complaints alleging Abuse (physical, verbal, sexual), Drug Diversion, Workplace Impairment, Exploitation (financial, etc)
- Complaints relating to MSL (214); SSL (375)
  - 48 submitted lacked data
- Complaints may be referred to other agencies depending on allegation presented. (40)
  - Other state BON (10)
  - KDADS (7)
  - KDHE (9)
  - KDOC (4)
  - NARM (1)
  - Law Enforcement (1)
  - KS Board of Pharmacy (2)
  - KS Board Cosmetology (1)
  - KS Board of Healing Arts (1)
  - DCF (1)
  - APS (1)
  - Employer (2)
- Referred to KNAP from complainant allegations (20)

Open Records Request – timeframe: 7/01/2025 – 11/20/2025

- Received 50
- Mailing List Requests 41

#### **Progress to transition KORA from Practice Specialist to PIO**

- Training of Andy Martin is progressing, he assumes the lead in requests submitted and seeks clarification when questions arise.
- The KSBN KORA Core team meets monthly to review cases and progress on issues.
- Andy sends a weekly email update of pending requests so the core team is apprised and can assist as needed.

- All correspondence has transitioned to have Andy's signature. The core team continues to review final production before submitting to requestor.
- Andy handles all calls to and from the General Counsel when issues arise and legal questions need addressed timely.
- Communication Workflow. The current Certificate of Compliance with K.S.A. 45-230 – Mailing Addresses and Open Records needs to be updated on the Website.

### **Background:**

#### Since the last Board meeting in September 2025:

- ArkCase software utilized for open records
- Go Live! EVOKE Case Management Software for Investigative Division. 11/3/2025
- Addressed nursing practice related inquiries via phone and email
  - *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.*
  - Creation of Practice FAQ
  - Concerns presented to Practice Committee:
    - Operation of a Business

#### Meetings & Trainings:

Inv Committee Statute Review Task Force meetings, 10/17/2025, 11/14/2025, 12/5/2025  
 Pittsburgh University School of Nursing presentation 9/25/2025  
 Washburn Tech School of Nursing presentation 10/2/2025  
 National Organization of Alternate Programs, Research Committee, 10/8/2025, 11/18/2025  
 Oregon BON and KSBN virtual meeting 10/10/2025  
 KARQM Fall Conference, presentation 10/22/2025  
 Investigative Consultant Training, 10/29-30/2025  
 State of KS Leadership and Supervisory Issues Training, 11/4-6/2025  
 CLEAR Discipline Webinar, 11/12/2025  
 NCSBN APRN Knowledge Network Call, 11/19/2025  
 KARQM Core Elements Risk Management Program, 11/20/2025  
 NCSBN Discipline Knowledge Network Call, 11/20/2025

### **Attachments:**

None