

Nurse Licensure Compact

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What is a nurse licensure compact?

- Interstate agreement
- Removes barriers
- Mutual recognition
- Fosters public protection
- Successful history



Why join a nurse licensure compact?

- Mobility of nurses
- Disaster relief
- Cost effective
- Facilitates online nursing education



What are the benefits to the nurse?

- Mobility
- Reduces regulatory requirements
- Cost effective



What are the benefits for employers?

- Nurses will be able to practice (in person or by telehealth) in other states that are part of the nurse licensure compact with just one license
- Faculty and military spouses will just need one license to teach or practice across states in the nurse licensure compact
- Enhances nurses' mobility across states
- Allows nurses to quickly cross state borders when there is a disaster



What are the benefits for Kansas citizens?

- Increases access to health care
- Protects patient safety
- Reduces costs
- Supports health care delivery in the future
- Safeguards built into the current state licensing process are required before a nurse is issued a multistate license
- Uniform licensure requirements so that all states can be confident the nurse practicing has met a set of minimum requirements
- All states participating in the nurse licensure compact conduct federal criminal background checks to determine eligibility for a multistate license

Who can receive a multi-state license?

- Nurses must obtain the multi-state license in their state of residency
- Nurse must reside in a state that is a member of the nurse licensure compact
- Nurse must meet the eleven uniform licensure requirements

