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NCBON

Education Communiqué

New at the NCBON

It's Time to Register!

NCBON 10th Annual Nursing Education Summit

March 18, 2013

The Education Summit will be held again at the William and Ida Friday Center in Chapel Hill, NC. The NCBON update will be provided. Presenters and topics this year include:

Linda Christensen, JD, MSN, RN

National League for Nursing

The Top Ten Legal Issues in Nursing Education

Elizabeth Tornquist, MA

Education Consultant, UNC-Chapel Hill School of Nursing

Professional Writing for Nurse Educators

Registration is available on our home page at: www.ncbon.com. A block of rooms has been reserved at the discount rate of \$114 per night for reservations made by Sunday, February 24th. When making reservations reference the NC EDUCATION SUMMIT 2013.

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS FRIDAY, MARCH, 8, 2013.

New 2013 NCLEX-RN Test Plan

The National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) Delegate Assembly adopted an updated 2013 NCLEX-RN Test Plan that will be implemented April 1, 2013. Percentage of items in the following categories slightly increased:

Management of Care and Safety and Infection Control. Percentage of items in the following categories slightly decreased: Pharmacological and Parenteral Therapies and Reduction of Risk Potential. Details of the new plan are located on the NCSBN website <https://www.ncsbn.org/1287.htm>.

NCLEX-RN Passing Standard Raised

The National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) voted on Dec. 17, 2012, to raise the passing standard for the NCLEX-RN Examination (the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses). The passing standard will be revised from the current -0.16 logits* to **0.00 logit** beginning April 1, 2013, with the implementation of the *2013 NCLEX-RN Test Plan*. The new passing standard will remain in effect through March 31, 2016.

Board Member Update

Peggy Walters, RN is the new Board Chair

Sara Griffith, RN is the returning Board Vice Chair

There are six new Board members:

Cheryl Duke - Advanced Practice RN

Jennifer Kaylor - Staff RN

Sharon Moore - PN Educator

Takela Jeffries - LPN

Margaret Conklin - Public Member

Martha Ann Harrell - Public Member



Next Board Meeting: May 16, 2013

The Education Communiqué will now be emailed soon after each Board Meeting. This will allow everyone to receive board meeting updates in a timely manner.

ACCREDITED PROGRAMS

Just a reminder that any communication with accrediting bodies must be submitted to the NCBON at the same time as indicated in the following Rule:

21 NCAC 36 .0323 RECORDS AND REPORTS

(g) All communications relevant to accreditation shall be submitted to the North Carolina Board of Nursing at the same time the communications are submitted to the accrediting body.

Updated NCBON Website

The new NCBON website will be up soon.

Stay tuned for a more user-friendly site!

Great Resources Available on the NCBON Website

The NCBON has many resources online that may be helpful to faculty teaching Scope of Practice and Delegation to students. The following are Position Statements that clarify information from the NC Nursing Practice Act. Below are links to a few. They can be found on our website by hovering over Practice in left column > Position Statements.

Comparison of RN versus LPN Scope of Practice (in color)

http://www.ncbon.com/uploadedFiles/Practice/Position_Statements/ScopeComparisonChart.pdf

RN Scope of Practice with Rules and Comparison Chart

http://www.ncbon.com/uploadedFiles/Practice/Position_Statements/RNPositionStatement.pdf

LPN Scope of Practice with Rules and Comparison Chart

http://www.ncbon.com/uploadedFiles/Practice/Position_Statements/LPNPositionStatement.pdf

Delegation Decision Tree for UAP

<http://www.ncbon.com/WorkArea/linkit.aspx?LinkIdentifier=id&ItemID=2080>

Scope of Practice Decision Tree for Nurses

<http://www.ncbon.com/WorkArea/linkit.aspx?LinkIdentifier=id&ItemID=2108>

Delegation of Non-Nursing Functions

<http://www.ncbon.com/WorkArea/linkit.aspx?LinkIdentifier=id&ItemID=2050>

List of All Position Statements related to Nursing Practice

<http://www.ncbon.com/content.aspx?id=682>

NCBON Online Workshops

[Understanding the Scope of Practice and Role of the LPN \(1.0 CH\)](#) Provides information clarifying the LPN scope of practice. An important course for RNs, LPNs, and employers of LPNs. There is no registration fee.

[Legal Scope of Practice Online Course \(2.3 CHs\)](#) (online workshop) The purpose of this offering is to provide information and clarification regarding the legal scope of practice parameters for licensed nurses in North Carolina. The \$40 fee for this course is waived for nursing students. Program directors should access the course using their program code. If you have problems registering or if you cannot access the course please email Pamela@ncbon.com or contact Pamela Trantham at (919) 782-3211, ext. 279. For program codes contact Linda Blain at Lindab@ncbon.com.

Programs Participating in RIBN

Associate Degree Program Directors should send the 4 year RIBN program of study to your assigned education consultant: Crystal Harris at charris@ncbon.com or Janet Arthurs jarthurs@ncbon.com. The Board does not need syllabi only a list of courses offered each semester with class, lab, and clinical hours.

NCLEX National Pass Rates

For 2010-2012, the *three-year average* RN national pass rate is 88%;
95% standard for NC is 84%.

For 2010-2012, the *three-year average* PN national pass rate is 85%;
95% standard for NC is 81%.

The three year average pass rate is calculated by dividing the total number of 1st time test passers by the total number of 1st time test takers. (2010-2012)

For 2012, the *current year* pass rate is 86% for RN and 80% for PN.

NCLEX STATS

Here are the NCLEX statistics from January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012.

Applications received to date: 6083

Total of candidates that have tested to date: 5804

Total number of candidates licensed to date: 5030

Education Consultant Reassignments

The updated list sent to program directors via e-mail in December 2012 can be found on our website by going to the home page (www.ncbon.com), from the left hand column hover over Education > Students/Public > Education Consultant Assignments.

REMEMBER: the Education Communiqué is archived on the Education page of the NC BON.

Suggestions/Comments/Topics for future newsletters

Send to charris@ncbon.com
