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# Education Communiqué

## Greetings Program Directors

As we transition into the summer months, it's an opportune time to reflect on the past academic year and prepare for the exciting opportunities and challenges that lie ahead. The dedication and resilience you have shown in guiding and supporting future nurses is truly inspiring.

The Education Department aims to provide you with valuable insights, resources, and updates to assist in your role as program director. We hope you find this information helpful and ask that you share pertinent details with your faculty members. Please contact the Education Department with any questions you may have.

### Annual Report

In collaboration with NCBON, the National Council of States Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) assist with administering the Annual Report for prelicensure nursing education programs. Program directors can access a copy of the Annual Report and FAQ document located in the Resources and Downloads section of the Program Director Portal. These materials are intended to guide you in completing the report. Consistent with 21 NCAC 36 .0323(e), access to the Annual Report will be provided on October 1, with submissions due by 11:59 pm on October 31.

The National Nursing Education Database, a recent initiative by NCSBN, includes annual report data from nursing education programs across the U.S. It is the first comprehensive database to offer sophisticated statistical analyses of U.S. nursing education programs. The most recent available data, from 2022, can be viewed [here](#).

## Education Summit - SAVE THE DATE

**April 24, 2026**

The Education Department is pleased to announce the upcoming 2026 Education Summit. Mark your calendars and stay tuned for additional details.

## Program Director Document Uploads

The Education Department has transitioned to using the Laserfiche document management platform for all document uploads. Please use the following link to upload all future documents - [LASERFICHE](#). Please note that Dropbox will no longer be utilized for this purpose.

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## Next Generation **NCLEX**® Click here to view NCLEX Pass Rates

### NCLEX Pass Rates

The NCLEX pass rates are sent directly to program directors from NCSBN as an encrypted email message on the 10th day of the month following each quarter. Please ensure your IT department has whitelisted emails from: **pearsonvuebidistribution@pearson.com**. NCBON will continue to post quarterly reports on our website. Contact [education@ncbon.com](mailto:education@ncbon.com) or (919) 782-3211 with any questions.

### NCLEX Standard – Single Year

All NCBON approved pre-licensure nursing education programs will be reviewed in 2025 pursuant to 21 NCAC 36 .0320(c), a program shall maintain an NCLEX examination pass rate that meets or exceeds 90 percent of the national pass rate for licensure level on first writing of the licensure examination for calendar years ending December 31. If you have questions, contact your assigned consultant.

### NCLEX Candidate Reports

NCLEX candidate reports are distributed via email within six weeks of the candidate's examination date. Program directors are automatically copied on the email distribution. A detailed program performance report can also be provided upon request. The report includes first time and repeat test takers identifying pass or fail candidate status. Contact the Exam Department at [examdept@ncbon.com](mailto:examdept@ncbon.com) for assistance.

### NCSBN NCLEX Examinations

NCSBN hosts a variety of resources to assist candidates prepare for the NCLEX exam. [Click here](#) to view the resources.



### Electronic Document Submission

Program Directors can submit documentation to the Education Department by clicking here.



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## NCSBN NCLEX Regional Workshop

The NCSBN NCLEX Regional Workshop took place on March 21, 2025 at Wake Technical Community College's Perry Health Sciences Campus. The workshop aimed to equip new educators with essential information to effectively prepare students for the NCLEX exam.

**Meet the distinguished presenters from this insightful workshop.**



### **Nicole Williams, DNP, RN, NPD-BC, NEA-BC**

Dr. Williams possesses over 30 years of nursing experience with specialized expertise in examination development. Her experience in this field encompasses a keen interest in entry -level nursing clinical judgment, demonstrated

through numerous presentations and publication. As Director of Content and Test Development in the Examinations Department at NCSBN, she manages, directs, and ensures the content and test development services to the NCLEX and all NCSBN examinations comply with industry standards.



### **Emily Paulucci, MS, MJ, RN, APRN, CPNP**

Mrs. Paulucci is a Manager for Content Development within the Examinations Department at NCSBN. Ms. Paulucci works on the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX), Regulatory Exam - Practical Nurse (Rex - PN), and National

Nurse Aide Assessment Program (NNAAP) and has over seven years of test development experience with the NCLEX-RN, NCLEX-PN, and NGN examinations. She has over 20 years of experience in the healthcare industry, including the Pediatric Cardiac Intensive Care Unit at Ann and Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago.

### **Brittany McClendon, MBA, MSN, RN**

Mrs. McClendon is a RN Content Development Associate I for all NCSBN examinations, with nearly a decade of test development experience. She has five years of bedside experience and a robust clinical background in critical care, specializing in adult trauma, cardiovascular surgery, post-operative recovery, burns, and intensive critical care.



### **Here are a few comments from workshop attendees:**

*"Absolutely amazing workshop! Thank you for all the beneficial information and helping us as educators align best with the NCLEX-RN."*

*"This was extremely helpful and informative."*

*"Loved that I got immediate feedback on my test questions."*

## NCBON Event Calender

### **Administrative Hearing**

July 30  
September 24

### **Hearing Committee**

August 27

### **Labor Day**

Office Closed  
September 1

### **Board Business Meeting**

September 25

## 15th Annual Beyond the Manikin: Best Practices in Simulation Education

South Piedmont AHEC, part of NC AHEC, hosted a simulation conference on March 27-28, 2025. The Education Department delivered a presentation on simulation from a regulatory standpoint. The team provided an overview of the NCBON, defined simulation, outlined the NC Administrative Code rule requirements for simulation education, and offered guidance on regulatory compliance. The conference was held in Carolina Beach and attracted attendees from NC and boarding states.



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## Education Program Director Orientation

The Education Program Director Orientation is expected to be available online starting August 1. Newly approved program directors will receive registration details for this on-demand educational offering. The modules will cover the functions of the NCBON and how to maintain compliance with the North Carolina Administrative Code Rule.

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