

Education Communiqué

Greetings Program Directors

As the academic year progresses and the fall season brings renewed focus, we take this opportunity to acknowledge the continued commitment and leadership demonstrated by nursing education program directors across the state. Your unwavering dedication to excellence in nursing education plays a vital role in shaping our future nurses.

The Education Department is committed to providing timely updates and resources to support your role as program director. We encourage you share relevant information with your faculty and contact us with any questions.

Annual Report

In collaboration with NC Board of Nursing (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. In accordance with 21 NCAC 36 .0323(e), **all programs**, including those on initial approval that have not yet matriculated students, must submit an Annual Report by 11:59 pm on October 31.

The National Nursing Education Database, an 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.



Program Director Document Uploads

The Education Department has transitioned to the Laserfiche platform for all document uploads. Please use the following link for submissions: LASERFICHE.

Note: Dropbox is no longer in use for this purpose.

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2026 Education Summit

Empowering Education, Enabling Excellence April 24, 2026 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

> Registration: 8:00 AM - 8:30 AM Contact hours will be awarded

FEATURED PRESENTATION

Healthcare Emergency and Disaster Management

Critical insights into preparedness and response strategies for nurse educators

Michelle Taylor Skipper, DNP, FNP-BC, NHDP-BC, FAANP, FNAP

East Carolina University College of Nursing

North Carolina Agromedicine Institute

Clinical Professor Director, DNP/AGPCNP and DNP/FNP Specialties **HEDM Certificate Fellow** American Association of Nurse Practitioners Fellow National Academics of Practice Member

Ann Clarke, DNP, MSN, BSN, FNP-BC, APRN, NHDP-BC

East Carolina University College of Nursing

Clinical Professor Assistant DNP Program Director Certified Agrihelath Provider Doctor of Nursing Practice Program Adult and Family Nurse Practitioner Specialties



NCBON DEPARTMENT PRESENTATIONS

Discover NCBON Departments to Empower Your Journey

Gain insight on how the NCBON advances the mission of public protection through education, regulation, and collaboration with nursing educators.

McKimmon Conference and Training Center

North Carolina State University 1101 Gorman Street Raleigh, NC 27606

Registration Fee: \$125

Lunch will be provided

Registration Deadline: April 3, 2026

For questions, contact the Education Department at **education@ncbon.com**.

Register Here



NCLEX Pass Rates

The NCLEX pass rates are sent directly to program directors from the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (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** or (919) 782-3211 with any questions.

NCLEX Standard - Single Year

All NCBON approved prelicensure 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 for assistance.

NCSBN - NCLEX Resources

NCSBN - Next Generation NCLEX

View NCSBN resources on the Next Generation NCLEX by **clicking here**.

NCLEX Online

View information on NCSBN's efforts to develop an online experience by **clicking here**.

NCSBN Mailing List

Click here to subscribe to the NCSBN mailing list. Receive the latest in Nursing Regulatory news delivered directly to your inbox.



Hearing Committee
October 29

Veterans Day
Office Closed
November 11

Education & Practice Committee Meeting

November 12

Thanksgiving Holiday
Office Closed

November 27 - 28

Christmas Holiday
Office Closed

December 24 - 26

New Year Holiday
Office Closed

January 1, 2026



Education Program Director Orientation - Town Hall November 5, 2025 12 PM- 1 PM

Join us for an informative town hall designed specifically for newly appointed nursing program directors. This session will provide clarity on the rules and standards governing NCBON-approved prelicensure nursing education programs. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions, engage with education consultants, and gain a deeper understanding of compliance expectations and best practices. Your participation will help ensure a confident and well-informed start in your leadership role.

Click here to register for this virtual event provided via Microsoft Teams.

Education Program Director Orientation

Newly appointed program directors can also engage in real-time learning by completing the Education Program Director Orientation modules. These modules offer a comprehensive learning experience designed to deepen your understanding of the North Carolina Administrative Code, with a focus on identifying standards for nursing education programs. Upon completion, earn 3.66 CE contact hours and gain valuable insights to become more effective in your role as a program director. To access the modules, log in to your Nurse Portal, hover over the 'Applications' tab in the top menu, and select 'Workshops' from the bottom of the drop-down list. Select the 'Education Program Director Orientation' and follow the on-screen prompts to proceed.

National League for Nursing (NLN) Resource

The September 2025 NLN Vision Series provides information on artificial intelligence in nursing education. View this important information here.





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