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Education Communiqué

New at the NCBON

It's Time to Register!

NCBON 12th Annual Nursing Education Summit

April 13, 2015

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

NCSBN Simulation Study

Maryann Alexander, PhD, RN, FAAN
Chief Officer, Nursing Regulation
National Council State Boards of Nursing

Simulation Debriefing

Kristina Thomas Drefuerst, PhD, RN, SNE, ANEF
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Registration is available on our home page at: www.ncbon.com. A block of rooms has been reserved at the discount rate of \$119 per night for reservations at the Courtyard by Marriott Chapel Hill made by Monday, March 16th. When making reservations follow the link on the confirmation page of registration.

***DEADLINE FOR EDUCATION SUMMIT REGISTRATION IS
MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2015***

SAVE THE DATE!

July 22, 2014

We have changed the time of year for the Program Directors Education Workshop from Februarys to the summer time. This year's agenda has not been finalized yet but we will email you when it is! As in the past, it will be held at here in the Board Room. Space will be limited.

Board Updates

BOARD MEMBER UPDATES:

Martha Ann Harrell, is the new Board Chair. On a historical note, she is the first public member to ever be elected to the Chair of the Board of Nursing

There are two new Board members:

Christina Weaver, RN—RN Staff Member

Mary Jones, LPN—Licensed Practice Nurse

Peggy Walters, RN was re-elected as ADN/Diploma Nurse Educator



Next Board Meeting: May 29, 2015

EDUCATION PROGRAM ACTIVITY

Ratification of Full Approval Status

- Cape Fear Community College, Wilmington – ADN
- Cape Fear Community College, Wilmington – PN
- Mayland Community College, Spruce Pine – ADN
- Surry Community College, Dobson – ADN
- Surry Community College, Dobson – PN

Notification of Alternate Scheduling Options

- Sampson Community College, Clinton – ADN – LPN to RN Option, effective Fall 2015

Determination of Program Approval Status

Initial to Full Approval

ECPI University, Charlotte – ADN – remaining on Initial Approval

Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville – BSN – Full Approval

Initial Approval for new program

ECPI University, Raleigh – ADN – denied

Lees-McRae College, Banner Elk – BSN – Initial Approval

South College, Asheville – BSN – denied

FYI Accreditation Decisions by CCNE

- East Carolina University, Greenville – BSN – Continuing

FYI Accreditation Decisions by ACEN

- North Carolina A&T State University, Greensboro – BSN – Continuing
- Wingate University, Wingate – BSN – Initial

FYI Substantive Changes – ACEN

- Rowan-Cabarrus Community College, Kannapolis -Discontinuing the LPN to RN option beginning Spring 2015

NEW AND UPDATED FORMS ON THE WEBSITE

Education forms were updated to reflect current NCAC Rules and Regulations. The forms are located on the Education Home Page under Resources for Program Directors > Education Forms.

Available updated forms:

- Program Descriptive Report (03 2015)
- Faculty Vitae Form (03 2015)
- Notification of New Clinical Resource (03 2015)
- Application for Expansion (03 2015)

The new form:

- Program Change Form (02 2015) - (attached to email and on website)

21 NCAC 36.0321(k) and (l) states: requests for approval of changes in or expansion of the program shall be submitted on the form provided by the Board at least 30 days prior to implementation for approval by the Board. Criteria for approval include the availability of classrooms, laboratories, clinical placements, equipment and supplies and faculty sufficient to implement the curriculum to an increased number of students.

The Program Change form, Application for Expansion and Notification of New Clinical Resource forms should be utilized to meet the 21NCAC 36.0321 Curriculum rule. If your program is accredited (example: ACEN, CCNE); a copy of the substantive change report should be sent to the Board as well as any response received from the accrediting agency.

YOUR RESPONSIBILITY REGARDING FACULTY VITAE

Program directors are no longer required to send faculty vitae to the NCBON but are expected to maintain up-to-date faculty records on the current NCBON faculty vitae form dated 03/2015. The form can be found on our website under Resources for Program Directors > Education Forms and reflects the faculty rule change that went into effect on January 1, 2015. Each year 10% of the pre-licensure nursing education programs will be randomly selected to review current faculty vitae. If randomly selected, the program will submit the required forms electronically to the assigned NCBON Education Consultant of review and feedback.

We will no longer be imputing this information into our system which allows it to pre-populate your Annual Report information. We suggest you create a system for tracking these new faculty members so that you will be able to add their information to your Annual Report each October. This also pertains to any changes to the status of your current faculty members, i.e. PT to FT or vice versa, meeting the teaching/learning requirement, etc. You will need to make these changes in your Annual Report.

All faculty vitae for proposed Program Directors must be sent to the NCBON for approval either by electronic submission or a mailed hard copy addressed to the assigned Education Consultant.

NCLEX Information

In answer to various inquires we've received regarding the following question:

Does NCSBN use generic and trade names on items with medications?

- The NCLEX exam uses consistent language for every examinee. In order to achieve accurate, stable measurement, terminology used in exam items can have only one meaning. NCSBN understands most clinicians acknowledge both generic and brand/trade names when referring to drug medications. At this time, the NCLEX examination will reflect, on most occasions, the use of generic medication names only. We take into account that the use of the medication generic name is more consistent while a brand/trade medication name may vary. Some items may refer to general classifications of medications.
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NCLEX National Pass Rates

For 2012-2014, the *three-year average* RN national pass rate is 85%;
95% standard for NC is 81%.

For 2012-2014, the *three-year average* PN national pass rate is 84%;
95% standard for NC is 80%.

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. (2012-2014)

Let us hope that Spring is just around the corner!!!



REMEMBER: the Education Communiqué is archived on the Education page of the NCBON.

Suggestions/Comments/Topics for future newsletters

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