

Education Report

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Nursing Program Updates:

- **Flint Hills Technical College, Emporia** – effective January 10, 2023, Juli Heitman, MSN, RN, will be the new Director of the PN Program at FHTC.
- **Kansas City Kansas Community College** announced that effective January 1, 2023, Kathy Eblen is moving from the ADON position to Simulation Coordinator for the nursing programs. A new ADON has not been named.
- **NCKTC-Beloit** – effective February 20, 2023, Angela Murray MSN, RN, was approved by the NCKTC Board as the permanent, full-time Director of Nursing for the Beloit nursing programs. Angela has been serving as the Interim Director since 12/1/22.

Site Visits: Four site visits were completed February 1st through March 1st. Two of the visits were initial visits for new programs and two were reapproval visits. All site visits were done in person. Three more visits remain on the spring schedule for March/April. Visits completed were:

- Galen College (Wichita) – initial visit for proposed ADN and BSN programs
- Dodge City Community College – reapproval visit for ADN program – visit done in conjunction with ACEN visit
- Ottawa University (Overland Park) - initial visit for proposed BSN program
- Neosho County Community College (Chanute and Ottawa campuses) – reapproval visit for PN program

Education Activities / Projects

- Assisted in ensuring applicants meet educational requirements for licensure:
 - Reviewed 6 transcripts from out of state schools / military programs
 - Reviewed 26 CGFNS reports with 3 requiring English Language Proficiency testing prior to approval of licensure:
 - Philippines – 15
 - Kenya – 4
 - 1 each from Australia, Brazil, Canada, Gambia, India, Mexico, South Korea

- **FQRs** – Faculty Qualification Reports moved to an all-electronic process via the website on June 30, 2020. FQR activity this quarter:
 - 84 FQRs submitted this quarter (38 from BSN programs, 37 ADN, 8 PN, 1 APRN)
 - 51 were Initial requests
 - 33 were updates to previous FQRs
 - Majority were for Adjunct positions (56)
 - 12 submitted with Degree plans
 - 22 submitted with Hire Exceptions
 - 10 updated FQRs submitted for completion of Degree plans
 - 13 submitted FQRs were incomplete:
 - 13 due to transcript issues – missing, not official copies, wrong transcript
 - 3 FQRs submitted without a degree plan or hire exception for faculty without required degree.

- *Minor Curriculum changes* – four schools submitted requests for minor curriculum changes. All requests were reviewed and approved.
 - *Benedictine College* – six Minor CCR for BSN program
 - *Emporia State* – BSN program
 - *KU SON* – one change for BSN program and one change for graduate program
 - *Washburn University – Grad program* – change in course title, number, outcomes for one course

- **Petitions:**
 - responded to eight inquires for potential petitioners regarding KS requirements for NCLEX exam and licensing.
 - Four (4) petitioners completed the conditions of their petition this quarter and were made eligible to test. Two have tested with one passing and one failing. Two have not tested yet.
 - One previous completer tested this quarter and did not pass.
 - Four petitions expired without being completed. Two are past the five-year mark and will have to retake nursing courses to retest.
 - Currently have 16 active petitioners with six completed petitions still in the process of completing testing.

- Responded to four requests from higher education entities or potential students regarding Kansas approval for / educational requirements for prelicensure undergraduate and advanced practice nursing programs. A requirement from the Department of Education has all schools with distance learning programs or hybrid programs researching requirements for all states from which they could accept students.

- **KSBN/NCSBN Core Data and Annual Report survey.** Reports/data reviewed and changes requested from KSBN to NCSBN will be submitted this week. 2023 Annual report survey is planned to run from April – June for the Kansas programs. Notification will be given to all programs when the survey opens for 2023 and an orientation video will be on the KSBN website starting after March 10th for those desiring the information. A Zoom session for new administrators will be announced in March pending changes being complete.
- **Annual NCLEX reports** were distributed to Program Administrators the first week of January and the aggregate report is being reviewed by the board in March. The 2022 report is the first year under the new education regulations for an 80% first time pass rate as the minimum standard.
- **KSBN Scholarship** submissions were reviewed by four KSBN board and committee members during January. Winners were selected and asked to attend the March board meeting. All have accepted. Letters also sent to all who submitted essays but were not selected this year.

Reminders:

- NextGen NCLEX will begin on April 1, 2023 for both PN and RN applicants. NCSBN has created a website specifically for NCLEX NextGen information and resources: <https://www.nclex.com/next-generation-nclex.page>. Resources are available that could be useful for faculty as well as students.