

NURSE LICENSURE COMPACT AND KENTUCKY LICENSE RENEWAL

If your primary state of residence is another compact state and you do not practice ONLY in a military/federal facility, you will not be able to renew your Kentucky RN or LPN license.

ARNP RENEWAL

If you do not intend to practice as an ARNP but want to renew your RN license, contact Ruby King (ruby.king@ky.gov) before close of business (4:30 p.m.) October 29.

If your national certification has expired, you will not be able to renew your license or registration. You cannot practice as an ARNP in Kentucky with an expired national certification, even though your ARNP registration is current.

To renew your ARNP registration in only one designation and your Kentucky RN license, you MUST use the RN-ARNP link on the renewal web page (<http://kbn.ky.gov/license/renewal/renewal2010.htm>). From this link, you will renew your RN and ARNP licenses simultaneously, for the combined fee of \$90 (RN-\$50 and ARNP-\$40).

To renew your ARNP registration in more than one designation and your Kentucky RN license, use the link listed above and select each designation that you are renewing by clicking on the appropriate radio button. The fee for renewing each ARNP designation is \$40 per designation, plus the \$50 RN renewal fee. You must maintain current national certification in each designation.

If your primary residence is a compact state and you hold a current multistate RN license in that state, you must use the *ARNP Renewal Only (with RN license in another compact state)* link. You must provide the name of the state and the expiration date of the multistate RN license you hold before you will be able to renew your Kentucky ARNP registration. You must keep your multistate RN license active in the state of your primary residence while you practice as an ARNP in Kentucky. If your compact RN license and/or your national certification lapse, you may not practice as an ARNP in Kentucky, even though your Kentucky ARNP registration is current.

All Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioners must complete 5 continuing education hours in advanced pharmacology as part of the continuing competency requirement for renewal. DO NOT submit evidence of continuing competency earnings unless requested to do so. For questions about the ARNP continuing competency requirement, contact Mary Stewart (maryd.stewart@ky.gov).

Current national certification from a Board recognized national certification organization in addition to current ARNP and RN licensure is required to practice as an ARNP in Kentucky. If your national certification lapses for any period of time while

your ARNP registration is current, you may not practice as an ARNP during the period of lapsed certification. **KBN does not give a grace period for lapsed national certification.**

SANE RENEWAL

Before renewing your SANE credential, you must renew your RN license from the RN-LPN renewal link on the renewal web page. When you have completed that process, proceed to the SANE link to renew your SANE certification. If you are a SANE and an ARNP, renew your RN-ARNP first (see prior section) and then renew your SANE credential from the SANE link.

If your primary residence is a compact state, you must provide the state name and the expiration date of the multistate RN license you hold before you will be able to renew your Kentucky SANE credential. You must keep your multistate RN license active in the state of your primary residence during the period of time that you practice as a SANE in Kentucky. If your compact RN license lapses, you may not practice as a SANE in Kentucky, even though your Kentucky SANE credential is current.

All Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners must complete 5 continuing education hours related to the role of the sexual assault nurse examiner as part of the continuing competency requirement for renewal. DO NOT submit evidence of continuing competency earnings unless requested to do so. For questions about the SANE continuing competency requirement, e-mail Mary Stewart (maryd.stewart@ky.gov).

BACKGROUND CHECK(S) REQUIRED FOR REINSTATEMENT OF LICENSE – TIME DELAY

There have been important changes to 201 KAR 20:225 Reinstatement of License. Beginning April 1, 2010, all applicants for licensure by reinstatement, including those who fail to renew a license expiring in 2010, are required to submit a state criminal history report from the Kentucky Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC), Courtnet Disposition System. The report must have been obtained within six months of the date the application for reinstatement is received at KBN and must include a report for each surname an individual has ever used. **This new requirement will delay the reinstatement of a license, and the delay is outside the control of KBN.**

PAPER APPLICATIONS

Additionally, there is a fee for a paper application. To receive a paper reinstatement application, submit a written request with a check or money order for \$40. This fee is IN ADDITION to the reinstatement fee. After receiving the request and fee, KBN will mail the paper application. Do not submit the reinstatement fee until you return the paper application to KBN. Allow three weeks for a paper application to be reviewed and the license reinstated.

AUDIT

Q: I was selected for the CE audit last year. I have friends that have been in nursing for many years but have never been selected. Why did I receive an audit letter and they did not?

A: Nurses receiving CE audit letters are chosen by random selection. The number of years one has been in nursing has nothing to do with the selection process.

Q: What will happen if I am audited, and I do not have the required contact hours?

A: You will be asked to earn the required hours and submit copies of the CE certificates to KBN along with a letter of explanation as to why these hours were earned late. Once this documentation is received and accepted by KBN, you will be allowed to enter into a Consent Decree with KBN and pay the required fine. If you refuse to earn the late hours and/or pay the fine, your records and audit response will be forwarded to the Investigation and Discipline Section of the Consumer Protection Branch for initiation of disciplinary action.

GENERAL CE/COMPETENCY

Q: I understand there have been changes to the CE regulations and I will now be required to renew my license for one year rather than two. I am confused as to the earning period. What is the present earning period for Kentucky nurses?

A: Nurses are required to earn 14 contact hours or the equivalent within the yearly earning period of November 1 through October 31. You may wish to view the CE brochure available on the KBN website (www.kbn.ky.gov) for additional earning information.

Q: My friend refers to the continuing education hours she earns as CEUs. I notice that you refer to them as contact hours. What is the difference in a CEU and a contact hour?

A: Contact hours refer to the stated amount of time an individual was present during a course. One contact hour is equal to 50 minutes of clock time. Continuing Education Unit (CEU) is the term used as the unit of measurement by colleges and universities to designate 10 contact hours. The terms contact hour

and CEU cannot be used interchangeably. Kentucky and most nursing continuing education providers require offerings to be determined in contact hours.

Q: This is my first renewal of my Kentucky nursing license. Am I required to earn CE hours for this renewal?

A: All nurses are exempt from earning CE hours for their first Kentucky renewal. This is true for nurses licensed by examination or by endorsement from another state. If the nurse fails to renew the original license, the exemption is lost and all CE requirements must be met before the license can be reinstated.

Q: Is it true that I can use an employment evaluation for part of my CE hours?

A: Yes. A satisfactory employment evaluation or competency validation for your position as a nurse, that covers at least six months of the earning period, can be used for seven contact hours. You must earn the other seven hours. Other acceptable ways to earn your CE hours can be found online (www.kbn.ky.gov/ce/) under "Licensure Renewal Requirements."

Q: Do college courses count as CE hours?

A: Academic courses in nursing and health care, or social or physical sciences, will count toward your CE requirement. One semester credit hour equals 15 contact hours. One quarter credit hour equals 12 contact hours. These courses count as CE for the earning period in which the course was completed.

Q: I have attended a CE course that is not offered by an approved CE provider. How can I get credit for these hours?

A: You may wish to submit an "Individual Request for Review of CE Activities," (www.kbn.ky.gov/ce/) under "CE Forms and Publications," to KBN requesting contact hours for this course. There is a non-refundable charge of \$10 for the review. You can also request an application form by contacting the KBN office at 800-305-2042, ext. 237. Once submitted, your application will be reviewed and, if approved, the appropriate number of contact hours will be awarded. Applications must be submitted no later than November 30 of the licensure year.

Q: Are CE hours earned on the Internet

acceptable for licensure in Kentucky? If so, how many of the required 14 hours can be earned on the Internet?

A: Internet CE courses are acceptable if offered by an approved CE provider. All 14 hours or any combination of the hours may be from Internet providers.

Q: I understand that I can use my nursing certification for the required 14 contact hours of CE. Is this correct?

A: If you have a national nursing certification or recertification related to your practice role that is in effect the whole earning period or earned initially this period, it will count for the required 14 contact hours for Kentucky licensure.

NOTE: In addition to the national nursing certification, ARNPs are required to earn five approved contact hours in pharmacology each earning period. SANE-credentialed nurses must earn five contact hours of approved sexual assault CE.

Q: I am required to take a class in CPR where I work. Will this CPR class count toward my CE requirement?

A: No. CPR and BLS classes, as well as in-service education and nurse aide training, do not count as CE hours.

Q: Will ACLS and PALS courses count toward my CE requirement?

A: If an approved provider offers the ACLS or PALS courses, the hours earned will be accepted by KBN. See the attached list of national nursing organizations recognized by KBN for continuing education offerings or visit the KBN website (www.kbn.ky.gov).

Q: Can a nurse substitute CME credits for nursing contact hours?

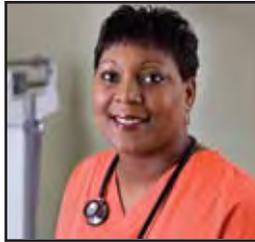
A: CME credits do not automatically transfer to contact hours. If you wish to earn contact hours for a course that awarded CME credit, you will need to go to the KBN CE Web page (www.kbn.ky.gov/ce/) under "CE Forms and Publications," and submit an "Individual Request for Review of CE Activities." ARNPs are allowed to use CME credits for pharmacology continuing education if the provider offering the course is recognized by their national certifying organization.

Q: I have earned more CE hours this earning period than I need. Can these hours be used for my next renewal?

A: No. CE hours cannot be carried over to the next earning period. All 14 hours must be earned within the specified earning period.

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National Nursing Organizations Recognized by KBN for Approval of CE Offerings

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- American Association of Critical Care Nurses (AACN) 800-899-2226
- American Association of Nurse Anesthetists (AANA) 847-692-7050
- American College of Nurse-Midwives (ACNM) 240-485-1800
- American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) 800-284-2378
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- Association of Women's Health, Obstetric & Neonatal Nurses (AWHONN) 800-673-8499
- National Association of Nursing Practitioners in Women's Health (NPWH) 202-543-9693
- National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners (NAPNAP) 856-857-9700
- National Association of Practical Nurses Education & Service (NAPNES) 301-588-2491
- National Federation of Licensed Practical Nurses (NFLPN) 800-292-2273
- National League for Nursing (NLN) 800-669-1653
- Other State Boards of Nursing
HIV/AIDS CE approved through the Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS) is also accepted.

PROVIDERS

Q: Where can I find a list of approved CE providers?

A: You can print a copy of the KBN approver provider list from the KBN website (www.kbn.ky.gov) under "CE Forms and Publications" or you may request a copy of the list by contacting the KBN office at 800-305-2042, ext. 237.

In addition, a list of National Nursing Organizations recognized by KBN for continuing education is also provided on the KBN website and at the end of this article. If a provider approved by one of these organizations offers a course you wish to take, that course will be accepted by KBN for the same number of contact hours.

RECORD KEEPING

Q: Does KBN have a record of the CE hours I have earned?

A: No. KBN does not keep track of each

nurse's CE hours – that responsibility falls on the individual nurse. It is the responsibility of the CE provider to see that the nurse receives a certificate of completion, but the provider does not send a copy of the certificate to KBN. You are not required to submit CE certificates to KBN unless requested to do so through the CE audit. Nurses must retain records of their CE/competency for at least five years following a licensure period. HIV/AIDS CE records must be retained for 12 years.

HIV/AIDS

Q: I understand there have been some changes in the HIV/AIDS CE requirements. How many HIV/AIDS contact hours must I earn, and what is the earning period?

A: All nurses are required to earn two contact hours of approved HIV/AIDS CE within the appropriate ten year period. For LPNs, that period is 11/01/2001 through 10/31/2011. For RNs, that period is 11/01/002 through 10/31/2012. The course must be offered by an approved CE provider or approved by the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services in Frankfort, Kentucky.

PHARMACOLOGY CE FOR ARNPs

Q: I am an Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner (ARNP) in Kentucky. Are there any specific CE requirements for my registration renewal?

A: ARNPs are required to earn five contact hours of approved CE in pharmacology each licensure period. The licensure earning period is November 1st through October 31st of the renewal year. In 2008, the regulation was amended to reflect that pharmacology CE hours can be earned from any provider that is recognized by your ARNP accrediting body. It is the responsibility of the individual ARNP to contact the certifying body for a complete and up-to-date list of recognized providers for their organization.

SEXUAL ASSAULT CE FOR SANE CREDENTIALLED NURSES

Q: Are SANE-credentialed nurses required to earn specific CE hours in addition to the required 14 contact hours for RN renewal?

A: SANE-credentialed nurses are required to earn five contact hours of approved sexual assault CE (forensic medicine or domestic violence CE will meet this requirement). These hours count as part of the required 14 hours for RN renewal.



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Curtis, Angela Terrese Rickard	LPN License #2036116	Flatgap, KY	Eff.5/10/2010
Duvall, Dana Renee Daniels	LPN License #2029163	Albany, KY	Eff.5/19/2010
Dykes, Timothy Ray	LPN License #2034683	Columbia, KY	Eff.5/25/2010
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Evans, Lori Lynn Courtney	RN License #1118617	Paris, TN	Eff.4/21/2010
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Hargus, Tosha Marie Frizzell	RN License #1095398	Hartford, KY	Eff.5/21/2010
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Wilson, Jana G. Parker	RN License #1089609	Lexington, KY	Eff.5/10/2010

IMPORTANT LICENSURE INFORMATION

Renewing Your License: The licensure renewal period has changed and is now **Sep. 15 - midnight October 31, 2010**. Failure to renew will require a reinstatement application with different criminal history requirements.

Reinstating Your License: Beginning April 1, 2010, all reinstatement applicants must submit a criminal history report obtained from the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC). This may delay your reinstatement by up to 10 business days.

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Spiceland, Keisha Rae Turner	LPN License #2039507	Calvert, KY	Eff.4/16/2010

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Laskey, Kathryn R. Payne	RN License #1051185	Winchester, KY	Eff.6/14/2010
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HIGHLIGHTS OF BOARD ACTIONS

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April 2010 Board Highlights

Teller Committee

The president of the Board appointed Scott D. Majors, Prosecuting Attorney, Tomeca Valentine, Executive Legal Secretary, and Diane Thomas, Assistant to the Executive Director, to the Teller Committee for tallying of the votes for the election of officers.

Election of Officers

The Board officers elected for the 2010-2011 term:

President – Carol Komara, RN

Vice-President – Sally Baxter, RN

Secretary – Gail Wise, RN

Financial Officer – Sonia Rudolph, ARNP

President's Report

President Jimmy Isenberg asked Board members Patricia Birchfield and Carol Komara to report on the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) Midyear Conference held in March 2010. Ms. Birchfield reported that she found the presentation on continuing competencies very interesting and relevant to current nursing practices. Carol Komara was a presenter at the conference. She reported on the revised transition to practice model and the work that was being done to develop the model.

Executive Director's Report

HB 179, the KBN-initiated bill dealing with APRNs was passed by both the House and Senate and is awaiting the governor's signature. At this time we do not have a date on which the bill will become effective (summer 2010). KBN staff will initiate the processes required to promulgate appropriate regulations.

Education Committee

Site Visit Reports

Bluegrass Community & Technical College, Lawrenceburg – Associate Degree Program

- Accepted the November 11, 2009 Survey Visit Report for the adherence to regulations pursuant to the first graduating class of the Associate Degree program of Bluegrass Community & Technical College, Lawrenceburg.
- Approved the Requirements to be met as stated in the November 11, 2009 Survey Visit Report for the associate degree program of Bluegrass Community & Technical College, Lawrenceburg.
- Approved that due to the fact the two extension campuses will soon be merged into one at the Lawrenceburg campus, the program should submit one plan that will detail actions necessary to ensure that requirements are met.
- Directed the program to submit a response within four weeks of the April 15-16, 2010 Board meeting (Submission Date: May 17, 2010).
- Directed the program to submit evidence that all requirements are met within six months with a final report as to the final resolution of each identified requirement submitted (Submission Date: November 15, 2010).
- Approved that should the program's response to this site visit not provide satisfactory response to all requirements, the program administrator and the college president shall appear before the Board to provide justification as to non-adherence to requirements.
- Approved the approval status of the Associate Degree program of Bluegrass Community & Technical College, Lawrenceburg be changed from Initial to Conditional. The approval status of the program is subject to change should the program not adhere to established reporting deadlines or there is evidence that the

program has not adhered to Kentucky regulations to the satisfaction of the Board.

Bowling Green Technical College, Glasgow – Associate Degree Program

Following graduation of their first class, survey visit was conducted to determine the eligibility of the associate degree program for full approval status pursuant to 201 KAR 20:280.

- Dr. Jimmy Isenberg recused himself from the discussion and voting as regards this program.
- Accepted the February 16-17, 2010 Survey Visit Report for the adherence to regulations pursuant to the first graduating class of the associate degree and practical nursing program, Bowling Green Technical College, Glasgow and Bowling Green.
- Approved the approval status of Bowling Green Technical College – associate degree (Glasgow) and practical nursing (Bowling Green) KY be changed from Initial to Full. The approval status of the program is subject to change should the program not adhere to established reporting deadlines or there is evidence that the program has not adhered to Kentucky regulations to the satisfaction of the Board.

ATA College – Practical Nursing Program

Following graduation of their first class, survey visit was conducted to determine the eligibility of the practical nursing program for full approval status pursuant to 201 KAR 20:280

- Accepted the October 21-22, 2009 Survey Visit Report for adherence to regulations pursuant to the first graduating class of the Practical Nursing Program, ATA, Louisville.
- Approved the requirements to be met as stated in the October 21-22, 2009 Survey Visit Report for the Practical Nursing Program, ATA, Louisville.
- Directed the program to submit a response within four weeks of the April 15-16 Board meeting, to include a timeline for the correction of each "requirement to be met" identified in this report. (Due Date: May 17, 2010)
- Directed the program to submit evidence that all requirements are met within six months with a final report as to the final resolution of each identified requirement submitted no later than November 15, 2010.
- Directed that should the program's response to this site visit report not provide satisfactory response to all requirements, the Program administrator and the college president shall appear before the Board to provide justification as to non-adherence to requirements.
- Approved the status of the Practical Nursing Program of ATA, Louisville be changed from Initial to Conditional.

Bowling Green Technical College, Bowling Green – Practical Nursing Program

Following graduation of their first class, survey visit was conducted to determine the eligibility of the Practical Nursing program for full approval status pursuant to 201 KAR 20:280.

- Dr. Jimmy Isenberg recused himself from the discussion and voting as regards this program.
- Accepted the February 16-17, 2010 Survey Visit Report for the adherence to regulations pursuant to the first graduating class of the Associate Degree and Practical Nursing program, Bowling Green Technical College, Glasgow and Bowling Green.
- Directed the approval status of Bowling Green Technical College–Associate Degree (Glasgow) and Practical Nursing (Bowling Green) KY be changed from Initial to Full. The approval status of the program is subject to change should the program

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not adhere to established reporting deadlines or there is evidence that the program has not adhered to Kentucky regulations to the satisfaction of the Board.

FMCNA – Louisville Dialysis Training Program

To receive continued approval, a dialysis technician training program shall be compliant with the standards set out in Section of 201 KAR 20:470. Thus a survey visit was conducted to determine if the program was complying with regulatory standards.

- Accepted the survey visit report of March 8, 2010 to the FMCNA Dialysis Training Program.
- Approved the “Requirements to be Met” as stated in this report.
- Directed the FMCNA Louisville Training Program (003-2002) submit a report on strategies implemented since the visit to assure compliance of training standards indicated in 201 KAR 20:470.
- Directed the program submit this response within four weeks of the April 15 & 16 Board meeting, to include a timeline for the correction of each “requirement to be met” identified in this report. (Submission required by 5/13/2010)
- Directed that should the program’s 5/13/2010 response to this site visit not provide satisfactory response to all requirements, the Program Administrator shall appear before the Board to provide justification for program’s non-adherence to requirements.
- Accepted the status of the DT training program at FMCNA – Louisville (003-2002) remain approved by the Kentucky Board of Nursing. The approval status of the program is subject to change should the program not adhere to established reporting deadlines or there is evidence that the program has not adhered to Kentucky regulations to the satisfaction of the Board.

NEW PROGRAM APPLICATIONS/PROPOSALS

Daymar College, Owensboro – Associate Degree Program

Daymar College was allowed to proceed to the proposal phase of the application process; their subsequent proposal was analyzed to determine compliance with 201 KAR 20:280, Standards for initial approval of prelicensure registered nurse and practical nurse programs, and a survey visit was conducted to assess compliance with 201 KAR 20:350, Educational facilities and resources for prelicensure registered nurse and practical nurse programs.

- Accepted the February 24, 2010 Site Visit Report and Analysis of proposal for the Associate Degree Program of Nursing at Daymar College, Owensboro
- Directed that as the proposed location of the program is still in the planning phases and at the present time there is not evidence that they meet the requirements set forth in 201 KAR 20:350: Educational facilities and resources for prelicensure registered nurse and practical nurse programs, that the Daymar College nursing program shall keep the Board of Nursing apprised of the construction status and that students may not start classes until said time that a representative from the Board returns for a site visit and all requirements established in 201 KAR 20:350 are met.
- Directed the program administrator arrange with the education consultant for a site visit at least three (3) months prior to the admission of the first class.
- Directed that at the time of the pre-admission site visit, the program shall have available for the consultant the following:
 - Documentation of the implementation of the program as compared to the approved proposal;
 - List of students admitted to the first class and their adherence to admission criteria;
 - A copy of the nursing and campus student handbooks with

identification of differences in policy and rationale;

- Copies of each syllabus for the first three terms of the program;
 - List of faculty and clinical instructors for the first academic year as assigned by course;
 - Summary of clinical agencies to be utilized for the first academic year by course;
 - Copies of signed clinical agreements;
 - Operational policy manual for the nursing program;
 - Complete evaluation plan for the program along with copies of tools that will be utilized to collect the data.
- Approved that the proposed associate degree nursing program at Daymar College, Owensboro be granted Developmental approval status for an admission class no earlier than January 2011.
 - Directed the program to submit a progress report at the conclusion of the first semester/term documenting the implementation of the program as compared to the proposal and any revisions.
 - Accepted that failure to submit Board required reports within the designated time period may result in the rescinding of developmental or initial approval status.
 - Accepted that approval to establish a program of nursing may be withdrawn if program requirements are not met and if a class is not enrolled within eighteen (18) months after the Board granted developmental approval. If the Board determines that a proposed program does not comply with all administrative regulations of the Board, developmental or initial approval may be withdrawn. The governing institution shall be notified in writing of the withdrawal of developmental or initial approval.

Southwestern College, Florence – Practical Nursing Program

Southwestern College submitted a Letter of Intent to develop and operate a practical nursing program in Florence, Kentucky and their submission was analyzed to determine compliance with 201 KAR 20:280, Standards for initial approval of prelicensure registered nurse and practical nurse programs and whether they should be allowed to proceed to the proposal phase of the application process.

- Accepted the letter of intent from Southwestern College, Florence to establish a practical nursing program.
- Approved that the Board withhold action on the application for the initiation of a practical nursing program at the Southwestern College, Florence campus until the additional requested documentation is received.
- Directed the program not to announce, advertise, or admit students to the program of nursing until such time that the Board of Nursing grants developmental status to the program.

OTHER PROGRAM BUSINESS

Madisonville Community College – Associate Degree Program

- Approved that the online integrated nursing track students complete the clinical portion of the curriculum in the same format/manner as the traditional, on-campus students.

Maysville Community & Technical College – Associate Degree Program

- Approved the weekend/evening track proposed by Maysville Community & Technical College for the Associate Degree nursing program at the Maysville and Cynthiana locations pending a visit to the program prior to admission of the first class.
- Directed that the Program Administrator arrange with the Education Consultant for a site visit prior to the admission of the first class.
- Directed that at the time of the preadmission site visit, the program shall have available for the Education Consultant the fol-

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lowing:

- Evidence to indicate compliance with each of the requirements to be met as identified in the Education Consultant's analysis report;
 - Review and discussion regarding the implementation of the program as submitted;
 - List of students admitted to the first class and adherence to admission criteria;
 - A copy of the nursing and campus student handbooks – identify any deviations due to the alternate delivery format;
 - List of faculty and clinical instructors for the first academic year as assigned by course;
 - Summary of clinical agencies to be utilized for the first academic year by course;
 - Copies of signed clinical agreements;
 - Updated copy of that portion of the respective program's systematic evaluation plan to include how the curriculum change will be evaluated with respect to student achievement of program outcomes.
- Directed that the program submit a progress report at the conclusion of the first semester/term documenting the implementation of the program as compared to the proposal and any revisions.

Programs of Nursing Approval Status – Proposed 2010

- Accepted that the following nursing programs having met the standards of 201 KAR 20:260 through 20:360 be retained on Full approval status:

Baccalaureate Programs

Bellarmine University, Louisville
Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond
Morehead State University, Morehead
Murray State University, Murray
University of Kentucky, Lexington
University of Louisville, Louisville
Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green

Associate Programs

Ashland C&TC, Ashland
Big Sandy C&TC, Prestonsburg
Bluegrass C&TC-Cooper Drive, Lexington
Campbellsville University, Campbellsville
Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond
Elizabethtown C&TC, Elizabethtown
Hazard C&TC, Hazard
Henderson Community College, Henderson
Hopkinsville Community College, Hopkinsville

Jefferson C&TC, Louisville
Kentucky State University, Frankfort
Lincoln Memorial University, Corbin
Madisonville Community College, Madisonville
Maysville C&TC, Maysville
Midway College, Midway
Morehead State University, Morehead
Owensboro C&TC, Owensboro
Pikeville College, Pikeville
Somerset Community College, Somerset
Southeast Kentucky C&TC, Cumberland
West Kentucky C&TC, Paducah
Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green
Western Kentucky University, Glasgow

Practical Nursing Programs

Ashland C&TC, Ashland
Big Sandy C&TC, Mayo/Paintsville
Big Sandy C&TC, Prestonsburg
Bluegrass C&TC-Leestown, Lexington
Bluegrass C&TC-Danville, Danville
Bowling Green Technical College, Glasgow
Brown Mackie College-Northern KY, Ft. Mitchell
Galen College of Nursing, Louisville
Gateway C&TC, Edgewood
Hazard C&TC, Hazard
Henderson Community College, Henderson
Hopkinsville Community College, Hopkinsville
Jefferson C&TC-Downtown, Louisville
Jefferson C&TC-Carrollton, Carrollton
Madisonville Community College, Madisonville
Maysville C&TC, Maysville
Owensboro C&TC, Owensboro
Somerset Community College, Somerset
Somerset Community College-Laurel, London
Somerset Community College-Clinton, Albany
Southeast Kentucky C&TC, Cumberland
Southeast Kentucky C&TC, Pineville
Spencerian College, Louisville
West Kentucky C&TC, Murray

- Accepted the following nursing programs having met the standards of 201 KAR 20:260 through 20:360 be moved from Conditional approval status to Full approval status:

Baccalaureate Programs

Berea College, Berea
Kentucky Christian University, Grayson
Thomas More College, Crestview Hills

Associate Programs

Beckfield College, Florence
Galen College of Nursing, Louisville
Gateway C&TC, Edgewood

Practical Nursing Programs

Elizabethtown C&TC, Elizabethtown

- Accepted that the following nursing programs having met the standards of 201 KAR 20:260 through 20:360 be moved from Initial approval status to Full approval status:

Associate Programs

Bowling Green Technical College, Glasgow

Practical Nursing Programs

Bowling Green Technical College, Bowling Green

- Accepted that pursuant to 201 KAR 20:360, Section 2, the following programs of nursing shall be retained on Full approval status pending satisfactory submission of a self study report that evaluates factors that contributed to annual pass rate of less than 85 percent for first-time testers on NCLEX examination.

Baccalaureate Programs

Spalding University, Louisville

Associate Programs

St. Catharine College, St. Catharine
Practical Nursing Programs
Jefferson C&TC-Shelby County, Shelbyville

Maysville C&TC-Licking Valley, Cynthiana
Maysville C&TC-Rowan, Morehead

- Accepted that the following nursing programs be moved from Initial approval status to Conditional approval status due to one (1) or more of the standards of 201 KAR 20:260 through 20:360 having not been met and requiring satisfactory submission of a self-study report:

Associate Programs

Bluegrass C&TC, Lawrenceburg/Danville

Practical Nursing Programs

ATA College, Louisville

- Accepted that the following nursing programs be retained on Initial approval status pending graduating of first class and a site visit from a Board representative to determine program compliance with Kentucky standards of 201 KAR 20:260 through 20:360:

Baccalaureate Programs

Western Kentucky University, Glasgow

Associate Programs

Maysville C&TC-Licking Valley, Cynthiana
Morehead State University, Mt. Sterling
National College, Pikeville

Practical Nursing Programs

Beckfield College, Florence
Brown Mackie College, Louisville
Maysville C&TC-Montgomery, Mt.

Sterling

- Accepted that the following nursing program be moved from Developmental approval status to Initial approval status having admitted the first class but as of yet have not graduated a class:

Baccalaureate Programs

University of Louisville, Owensboro

- Accepted that the following nursing programs be retained on Developmental approval status pending admission of the first class:

Baccalaureate Programs

Lindsey Wilson College, Columbia

Associate Programs

ITT Technical Institute, Louisville

Practice Committee

Definition of Facilitation of/Assistance with Self-Administration of Medications

- Approved the Advisory Opinion Statement #38, "Facilitation of Self-Administration of Medications in a Non-Healthcare Setting".

Credential Review Panel

- Approved the proposed regulation for Voluntary Relinquishment of a License or Credential.

Disciplinary Action

Approved five (5) Proposed Decisions, as written, and received reports on the approval of eighteen (18) Agreed Orders, nine (9) Consent Decrees, and one (1) Removal of Licenses from Probation.

HIGHLIGHTS OF BOARD ACTIONS

June 2010 Board Highlights

President's Report

President Jimmy Isenberg expressed his thanks to his fellow Board Members for being part of the Kentucky Board of Nursing for the past four years. He stated that it has been an honor to represent the citizens of Kentucky.

Executive Director's Report

- Approved the following Administrative Regulations with noted amendments to allow the Kentucky Board of Nursing to implement House Bill 179: 201 KAR 20:056; 201 KAR 20:057; 201 KAR 20:059; 201 KAR 20:061; 201 KAR 20:062; 201 KAR 20:070; 201 KAR 20:110; 201 KAR 20:161; 201 KAR 20:162; 201 KAR 20:163; 201 KAR 20:215; 201 KAR 20:220; 201 KAR 20:225; 201 KAR 20:230; 201 KAR 20:235; 201 KAR 20:240; 201 KAR 20:370; 201 KAR 20:400; 201 KAR 20:410; 201 KAR 20:411; 201 KAR 20:450; 201 KAR 20:470; 201 KAR 20:490.

- The majority of these regulation changes reflect the title change from Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner (ARNP) to Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN). Other changes include fingerprinting and fees.
- There are two new regulations; (1) 201 KAR 20:061. Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree and (2) 201 KAR 20:062. Standards for advanced practice registered nurse (APRN) programs of nursing.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

SITE VISIT REPORTS

• Somerset Community College, London – Practical Nursing Program

Visit conducted to evaluate new educational facilities for adequacy to meet program needs per 201 KAR 20:350.

- Accepted that the location for the Practical Nursing Program of Somerset Community College-Laurel Campus, London meets all requirements set forth in 201 KAR 20:350, Educational facilities and resources for prelicensure registered nurse and practical nurse programs.

NEW PROGRAM APPLICATIONS/ PROPOSALS

Brown Mackie College-Northern

Kentucky, Ft. Mitchell – Associate Degree Program

- Accepted the Letter of Intent from Brown Mackie College-Northern Kentucky, Ft. Mitchell to establish an associate degree program.
- Directed the program not to announce, advertise, or admit students to the program of nursing until such time that the Board of Nursing grants developmental status to the program.
- Approved the requirements to be met as stated on the April 13, 2010 Analysis of the "Letter of Intent" to Establish a Prelicensure Program of Nursing: RN.
- Directed that further action be postponed until such time that Brown Mackie College-Northern Kentucky has provided the materials as identified within the Requirements to be Met section of the April 13, 2010 analysis.

Somerset Community College, London – Associate Degree Program

- Accepted the Letter of Intent from Somerset Community College-Laurel Campus, London to establish a secondary site for the associate degree nursing program for an admission class no earlier than January 2011.
- Approved the Letter of Intent for the initiation of an associate degree program

and the program be permitted to move to proposal stage.

- Directed that the program shall not announce, advertise, or admit students to the program of nursing until such time that the Board of Nursing grants developmental status to the program.
- #### Southwestern College, Florence – Practical Nursing Program
- Accepted the Letter of Intent and supplemental material from Southwestern College, Florence to establish a practical nursing program.
 - Approve the Letter of Intent for the initiation of a practical nursing program at Southwestern College-Florence and that the program be permitted to move to proposal stage.
 - Directed that once the proposal is submitted, the education consultant should schedule a visit to the campus.
 - Directed that the program shall not announce, advertise, or admit students to the program of nursing until such time that the Board of Nursing grants developmental status to the program.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

- Approved the Education Committee Annual Report.

Practice Committee

- Accepted AOS #5, "The Performance of Advanced Life Support Procedures by Nurses".
- Accepted AOS #17, "Roles of Nurses in the Administration of "PRN" Medications and Placebos".

Consumer Protection Committee

- Approved the Notice of Denial for Licensure for disciplinary reasons.
- Approved the KARE for Nurses Program brochure.
- Approved that the license of a KARE participant who is in violation of their KARE for Nurses Program Agreement be suspended or denied reinstatement for two (2) years.

Governance Committee

- Approved the proposed Remote Meeting Policy for board member.
- Accepted, with noted change, the proposed amendments to implement HB 179.

Disciplinary Action

Approved two (2) Proposed Decisions, as written, and received reports on the approval of twenty-three (23) Agreed Orders, twenty-four (24) Consent Decrees, and zero (0) Removal of Licenses from Probation.

APRN Consensus Model: Frequently Asked Questions

by Charlotte Beason, Ed.D., RN, NEA, Executive Director and Sharon Eli Mercer, MSN, RN, NEA, BC, Nursing Practice Consultant

As KBN has publicized before, we are in the process of implementing the national Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Consensus Model. Many authorities point to the advanced practice role as being essential to providing safe and expert healthcare to individuals across the country. These roles are also essential to Kentucky, particularly as various national healthcare reform initiatives are implemented in the state. We have received a number of inquiries about the proposed changes. The most frequently asked questions are:

Why change ARNP to APRN?

Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) is a nationally accepted title. The current title of Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner (ARNP) is confusing, since not all advanced practice nurses are nurse practitioners.

When should I change my title to APRN?

The Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner (ARNP) title will change to Advanced Practice Registered Nurse when new regulations become effective and are implemented. The target date for implementation is January 1, 2011. The implementation date is dependent upon approval of the Administration Regulation. KBN will notify all advanced practice nurses via email and published documents when it is time to change titles – ARNPs may edit or add an email address through the KBN website (<http://www.kbn.ky.gov/onlinesrvs/addchg.htm>). Prescription pads with the APRN licensure title cannot be used until the regulation is implemented.

Why require education and certification in six population foci instead of a specialty?

The six population foci were defined in a national agreement between educators, accreditors, the National Council of State Boards of Nursing and credentialing bodies. Boards of Nursing across the country are now implementing this common licensing process. The foci are:

- Family or individual across the lifespan
- Adult health and gerontology
- Neonatology
- Pediatrics
- Women's health and gender-related health; and
- Psychiatric mental health

Education in the six population foci will ensure a more generalist practitioner across the lifespan of the patients in the APRN practice. This generalist education will better meet the evolving healthcare needs. The advanced nurse will need to obtain certification in one of the population foci in order to be licensed as an Advance Practice Registered Nurse in Kentucky.

What if I currently hold certification in an area that is not one of the six foci?

ARNPs who now hold *registration* in a specialty currently recognized by KBN can continue to be licensed as an APRN in that same specialty as long as their certification and Kentucky

APRN licensure remains current. Should the certification or KY APRN licensure lapse after the new regulations become effective, the advanced practice nurse will only be eligible for licensure in one of the six population foci.

Students enrolled prior to October 1, 2010 in the following specialty programs leading to certification will be licensed as APRNs in Kentucky if, after graduation from the program, the nurse maintains KY APRN licensure and continued active national certification from one of the following national certifying organizations:

- American Nurse Credentialing Center's Acute Care Nurse Practitioner
- American Association of Critical Care Nurses Certification Association
- Oncology Nursing Certification Corporation

If the APRN certification or licensure lapses in the above three specialty areas, the nurse will only be eligible for licensure in one of the six population foci.

What is the difference between KBN's current registration of advanced practice nurses and licensure of advanced practice nurses?

KBN will move from 'registering' to 'licensing' advanced practice nurses. Licensure status reflects a higher level of credentialing which is consistent with the activities the board performs, such as reviewing the education and credentials of the advanced practice nurse. Under the licensure model, KBN will continue to review credentials in the same way. New to the process, APRNs will be issued a license and license number unique to their advanced practice and separate from the RN license number.

Will a doctorate be required as entry education level to Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) licensure?

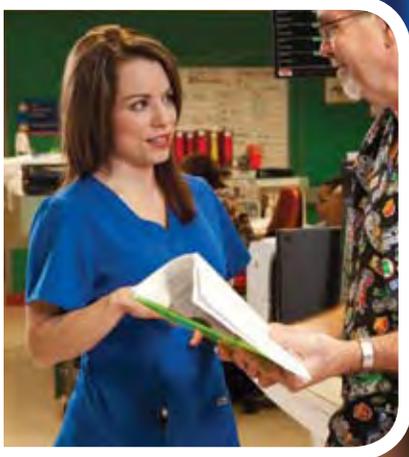
The Kentucky Board of Nursing has NO regulation pending that mandates a doctorate as entry education level for APRNs. The nurse may wish to contact the professional organization or national certifying body to find out if that group plans to require a doctorate in order to sit for their certifying examination. KBN does require national certification in one of the population foci from a KBN-approved certifying organization.

Can I hold APRN licensure in more than one designation and/or in more than one population foci?

An APRN may hold more than one designation and/or APRN licensure in more than one population foci. For each designation and for licensure in each population foci, the APRN must have the appropriate education. An application must be filed for each designation and certification type, and transcripts must be sent to KBN directly from the educational institution. Once approved, the information may be validated online. An APRN will receive only one APRN license number, which will reflect all approved designations and population foci certifications.



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