

**SHCC NURSING WORKFORCE DATA SECTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
(Now Named The TEXAS CENTER FOR NURSING WORKFORCE STUDIES (TCNWS)
ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Type of Report:

This report is furnished for information only. No action is required.

Background:

House Bill 3126 (2003) amended Chapter 104, Health and Safety Code, by adding Section 104.0155, to establish a nursing resource section for the collection and analysis of educational and employment trends for nurses in this state. The nurse resource section is housed in the Texas Department of Health's Statewide Health Coordinating Council (SHCC). The bill creates a Nursing Advisory Committee, the majority of the members of which are required to be nurses to advise the section. The funding of the nursing resource section is established through fees collected from nurse licensees through the Board of Nurse Examiners. A \$3 surcharge to the RN licensure renewal fee and a \$2 surcharge to the LVN license renewal fee form the basis of funding the section.

Former Board of Nurse Examiners member Thalia Munoz currently serves on SHCC and represents SHCC on the Nursing Workforce Data Advisory Committee (NWDAC).

I represent the Board of Nurse Examiners on the Advisory Committee.

The charge to the Nursing Workforce Data Advisory Committee (as per HB 3126, 78TH Regular Session):

- Review policy matters on the collection of data and reports performed under Chapter 105 that relate to the nursing profession;
- Subject to the approval of the Statewide Health Coordinating Council (SHCC), develop priorities and an operations plan for the Nursing Workforce Section; and;
- Review reports and information before dissemination.

Reports Produced by NWDS:

A number of reports have been developed by the committee. The current reports include:

- *Executive Summary* - Increasing RN Graduates: Admission, Progression, and Graduation in Texas Schools of Nursing 2004 **NEW!**
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- Nurse Supply and Distribution Tables
- Historical Nurse Supply Trends

- Hospital Nursing in Texas: Findings of the Registered Nurse Hospital Staffing Survey, 2004
- Nursing Workforce in Texas - 2003: Demographics and Trends
- Texas Sources for Nursing Supply Data
- Nursing Education in Texas: Demographics and Trends
- Migration Trends: Texas RN and LVN Workforce Nursing Workforce Issues Bibliography
- Supply Trends Among Licensed Health Professions, Texas, 1980-2004 Supply Trends Among Licensed Health Professions, Texas, 1980-2002

The Hospital Staffing Survey is being repeated at this time to obtain current data.

These reports can be found on the Department of State Health Services website at <http://www.tdh.state.tx.us/chs/nwds/Ncoverpg.HTM>

Vision and Mission

The **attached** vision and mission statements were recently adopted by the NWDAC. They reflect the broader focus of the activities of the center and the committee.

New Name for Advisory Committee:

The Nursing Workforce Data Advisory Committee has been renamed the Texas Center for Nursing Workforce Studies (TCNWS) Advisory Committee to more accurately reflect its mission.

**Texas Center for Nursing Workforce Studies (TxCNWS)
Nursing Workforce Data Advisory Committee (NWDAC)
Vision and Mission**

Vision

An optimal nursing workforce in Texas based on reliable, valid and useful data.

Mission

To develop a statewide system that describes and forecasts the changing nursing workforce in Texas.

In order to address our Vision and Mission, TxCNWS and NWDAC will strive to:

- Serve as an important resource to foster dynamic and strategic data driven processes for nursing workforce policy recommendations and long-range planning.
- Work collaboratively with other organizations to share resources and to conduct research on nursing workforce issues.
- Collect and disseminate relevant, accurate, comprehensive, valid and reliable nursing workforce data and information.
- Improve the quality, depth and scope of information about nursing workforce issues in Texas.
- Identify data gaps and initiate activities to address those gaps.
- Provide information that is accessible and understandable to the public.
- Provide opportunities for the public to give feedback to the TxCNWS and NWDAC about what kind of information is needed.
- Respond in a timely manner to requests for data and information based upon availability of resources.
- Serve as a repository of nursing workforce data, research and information.