

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL NEWS

29 States Enact the Enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact: Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Iowa, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Dakota, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin and Wyoming have joined the enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact (eNLC) that went into effect on January 19, 2018. Kansas passed the eNLC out of both legislative chambers and it is awaiting the Governor's signature. See Board item 6.1 for further information on implementation of the new compact.

<https://www.nursecompact.com/>

NCSBN e-Notify Service: This service delivers real-time notification to employers about nurses in their employ. The system provides licensure and publicly available discipline data directly as the information is entered into the Nursys database by boards of nursing. Employers chose the types of notifications such as expiration of license and discipline on a license as well as the frequency of such notifications. NCSBN permits individual nurses to enroll as well. Currently there are 1,086 Texas nursing employers and 171,162 Texas nurses enrolled in e-Notify.

NCSBN Releases Booklet for Newly Licensed Nurses: NCSBN has just published a new "NCSBN Welcomes You to the Nursing Profession" booklet. In honor of its 40th anniversary, NCSBN created this booklet as a resource to help nurses better understand nursing regulation and their board of nursing (BON). The booklet provides information about the nursing licensure process and the responsibilities of nurse licensure.

<https://www.ncsbn.org/12099.htm>

NCSBN Offers Opioid Toolkit: Resources on opioid prescribing, opioid addiction and overdose prescribing are available in NCSBN's Opioid Toolkit.

<https://www.ncsbn.org/opioid-toolkit.htm>

NCSBN Publishes 2018 Environmental Scan: *The Progress and Precision: The 2018 NCSBN Environmental Scan* has been published as an addendum to the Journal of Nursing Regulation Volume 8, Issue 4, Supplement, S1-S48.

[http://www.journalofnursingregulation.com/issue/S2155-8256\(18\)X0002-7](http://www.journalofnursingregulation.com/issue/S2155-8256(18)X0002-7)

Nurses Rated Highest on Honesty and Ethics for 16th Straight Year: In Gallup's annual poll ranking the most honest and ethical professions, nurses retain the top spot as the most highly rated profession for the 16th straight year. In the 2017 poll, 82 percent of Americans surveyed described nurses' ethics and honesty as "very high" or "high." Nurses have topped the honesty and ethics ranking every year since they were added to the list in 1999, except for 2001, when firefighters ranked number one in response to their work during and after the 9/11 attacks.

http://news.gallup.com/poll/224639/nurses-keep-healthy-lead-honest-ethical-profession.aspx?q_source=CATEGORY_SOCIAL_POLICY_ISSUES&q_medium=topic&q_campaign=tiles

DEA Announces Measure Allowing Nurse Practitioners (NPs) and Physician Assistants (PAs) to Prescribe Opioid Addiction Treatment: The Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) recently announced a deregulatory measure that allows NPs and PAs to become Drug Abuse Treatment Act (DATA)-waived qualifying practitioners, which would give them authority to prescribe and dispense buprenorphine for opioid use disorders. Previously, only physicians registered with the DEA could prescribe controlled substances for addiction treatment under the Drug Abuse Treatment Act of 2000,

leaving patients in rural communities underserved as 90 percent of physicians certified to prescribe buprenorphine practiced in urban counties. Under the 2016 Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act (CARA), a three-year pilot program was mandated that allowed NPs and PAs who had received training to prescribe buprenorphine. NPs and PAs must complete approved continuing education and be approved by DEA to prescribe buprenorphine for medication assisted treatment of opioid use disorders. There are currently 43,000 DATA-waived qualifying practitioners in the U.S.

<https://www.dea.gov/divisions/hq/2018/hq012318.shtml>

U.S. Federal Drug Administration (FDA) Releases Revised Blueprint for Opioid Prescriber Education:

The FDA recently released a revised blueprint for opioid prescriber education in an effort to address the opioid epidemic. The blueprint contains training content that drug manufacturers are required to make available to prescribers. According to the FDA, “The revised blueprint broadens content to include information on acute and chronic pain management, safe use of opioids or other non-opioid or non-drug treatments, as well as material on addiction medicine and opioid use disorders.” The FDA is requiring, for the first time, that the content be offered to prescribers, including nurses and pharmacists, who are involved in the management of patients with pain. The finalized blueprint, together with the Opioid Analgesic Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy, will apply to manufacturers of both immediate-release opioid analgesics intended for use in the outpatient setting and extended-release/long-acting formulations.

<https://www.fda.gov/NewsEvents/Newsroom/FDAInBrief/ucm594463.htm>

Two New States Join National Network of Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs: North Carolina and Oregon recently became participants in the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy’s (NABP) prescription monitoring program (PMP) and data sharing system, NABP PMP InterConnect. The secure national network of PMPs helps to combat the opioid epidemic and assists in the prevention of prescription drug misuse by allowing authorized prescribers and pharmacists to access information about their patients’ controlled substance prescriptions across state lines. Currently, there are 45 states participating in the program. Texas is a participating state in InterConnect.

<https://nabp.pharmacy/new-states-added-national-network-prescription-drug-monitoring-programs/>

STATE NEWS

Texas Facilities Commission: The BON has approved an estimate of cost for Phase II construction of the 4th floor to adapt to nursing, enforcement and legal space needs. Following the completion of an interagency cooperation contract between the parties, construction will begin. The new project to repurpose the fountain in the front of the building to a landscape feature with benches and shade structures is close to completion. A separate project to power spray c of the exterior of the building has begun but is not yet complete.

Health Professions Council: The Health Professions Council (HPC) met on March 19, 2018. New Executive Director, Mr. Patrick Fortner, has accepted the position as the Executive Director of the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners. Erin Bennett, Advisor, from the Governor’s Office of Budget, Planning and Policy attended the meeting. Training opportunities were announced including the Texas Department of Public Safety program for state agencies to develop Active Shooter Preparedness programs on March 22, 2018. The purpose of this workshop is to discuss the fundamental concepts of developing an Emergency Action Plan (EAP) for an active shooter scenario. CLEAR will offer the National Certified Investigator Training in Austin April 9-11, 2018. The BON will send 5 new investigators and a nurse consultant to this training.

BOARD NEWS

BON Bulletin Articles : The January issue of the *Board of Nursing Bulletin* contains the following articles: 1.) Notice to APRNs Regarding Balance Billing; 2.) eNLC Update; 3.) Errors of Omission in Nursing Care; 4.) Opioid Use and Nursing Care; and 5.) BON Position Statements.

Board Development: A Board Development session on *Sherman Act Anti-Trust Training* will be held on Friday morning, April 20, 2018.

AGENCY NEWS

Staff News: We have 2 new attorneys on our staff. Skyler Shafer has a law degree from Pepperdine University in 2010 and comes to us from the Office of Attorney General, Child Support Division, Longview, Texas. Mr. Shafer will be on the settlement team. Helen Kelly-Bass has a law degree from the University of Texas in 2013 and comes to us from the Texas State Board of Dental Examiners. Ms. Kelly-Bass will be on the litigation team.

Janice Hooper will be presenting an overview of the Texas Differentiated Essential Competencies (DECs) in May at the QSEN International Forum. Dr. Hooper was also elected to the Nursing Commission for Nursing Education Accreditation (CNEA) Board of Commissioners. Virginia Ayars will be presenting this summer with Pam Lauer from the Texas Center for Nursing Workforce Studies at the Annual meeting of the National Forum for State Nursing Workforce Centers. Calyn Hughes and Linda Laws published an article on *Errors of Omission* in the April Bulletin. Kristen Sinay wrote an article on *Human Trafficking* in the July issue of the bulletin, attended a statewide meeting of the Department of Public Safety on this subject and has conducted Board staff training.

Nursing Jurisprudence Examination: The Jurisprudence examination required for initial licensure by Texas Occupations Code Section 301.252, License Application, was implemented in September 2008. Those applying for initial licensure by exam or endorsement **after** September 1, 2008 must pass the Jurisprudence Exam in order to be eligible for licensure. In addition, nurses who have not been current in Texas for four or more years, must complete the Jurisprudence Examination prior to reinstatement. Attached are statistics for Jurisprudence exam takers for past 3 fiscal years including through the second quarter of Fiscal Year 2018. (**Attachment A**).

National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) Projects: After thorough assessment of version 2.0 of ORBS, staff decided to delay the launch until the next version of this program is complete. Future planned improvements to ORBS 2.0 will support the Board's automated processes and document generation processes. These functions allow the agency to respond more quickly to the high volume of license applications. Because the loss of these functionalities will result in increased staff workload and slower processing times, it was determined that until these processes are available in ORBS the agency will put ORBS implementation on hold.

Information Technology Updates:

Website: Google Analytics of user information on our website shows that there were 7,346,028 page views during the three-month period from January 5th through April 4, 2018. (**Attachment B**). An eNLC web page was added to the website. www.bon.texas.gov/licensure_nurse_licensure_compact_eNLC.asp

Facebook: The Texas Board of Nursing Facebook page can be found at: <https://www.facebook.com/Texas-Board-of-Nursing-1498436920404832/>
The agency posts at least weekly.

Key Meetings and Presentations: by the Executive Director and Staff since the last Board meeting. (Does not include internal meetings with staff).

Executive Director

Meeting: TNA Executive Director (ED) and President and BON ED and President, January 24, 2018, Austin

Conference: Federation of Associations of Regulatory Boards (FARB), January 25-28, Coronado, CA

Meeting: Interagency Prescription Monitoring Program Work Group, January 30, 2018, Austin

Meeting: Texas Association of Deans and Directors of Professional Nursing Programs, February 2, 2018, Austin

Meeting: NCSBN Board of Directors, February 5-6, 2018, Chicago

Webex: NCSBN Updated NPDB Compliance Audit, February 7, 2018

Conference Call: Texas A&M College of Nursing/ARCHI/ BON KSTAR Nursing, February 14, 2018, Austin

Meeting: NCSBN, ORBS, February 22, 2018, Austin

Meeting: Auditors regarding TPAPN, February 26, 2018, Austin

Conference Call: Texas Team Advancing Education Committee Meeting, February 26, 2018, Austin

Meeting: Texas Center for Nursing Workforce Studies (TCNWS), February 28, 2018

Meeting: Debriefing with TPAPN Audit Team, March 2, 2018

Meeting: Enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact Commissioners, March 4, 2018, Chicago

Conference: Midyear Meeting of NCSBN, March 5-7, 2018, Chicago

Meeting: Targeted Remediation, March 9, 2018, Round Rock

Meeting: Health Professions Council (HPC) Quarterly Meeting, March 19, 2018, Austin

Meeting: Erin Bennett, Advisor to the BON, Office of the Governor, March 22, 2018, Austin

Conference: American Association of Colleges of Nursing, Deans Meeting, March 24-26, 2018, Washington, DC

Conference: NCSBN APRN Roundtable, April 10, 2018, Chicago

Meeting: Meeting with TNA/TPAPN staff regarding TPAPN Program, April 11, 2018, Austin

Meeting: American Organization of Nurse Executives, April 12-15, 2018, Indianapolis

General Counsel

Meeting: Interagency Prescription Program Work Group, January 30, 2018, Austin

Guest Speaker: Texas State University Senior Class on *Nursing Laws and Legal Issues*, January 31, 2018, Round Rock

Meeting: Meeting with TPAPN Program Director and TNA General Counsel re TPAPN Program and Sunset Legislation, February 9, 2018, Austin

Conference Call: KSTAR Team Review of Reports, February 14, 2018, Austin

Meeting: Auditors regarding TPAPN, February 26, 2018, Austin

Meeting: Auditors regarding TPAPN, March 1, 2018, Austin

Guest Speaker: Texas State University Faculty regarding *Scope of Practice and NPR Issues*, March 8, 2018, Round Rock

Guest Speaker: CLE Panel on *Licensure Investigations*, Administrative Law Section, State Bar of Texas, March 9, 2018, Austin

Conference Call: KSTAR Team review of reports, April 4, 2018, Austin

Conference Call: Regulatory Committee Meeting, Texas Nurses Association, April 9, 2018, Austin

Meeting: Meeting with TNA/TPAPN staff regarding TPAPN Program, April 11, 2018, Austin

Director of Operations

Meeting: eStrategy, January 29, 2018

Presentation: NCSBN Leadership – Leadership Succession Committee, February 1, 2018

Presentation: Deans and Directors of Professional Nursing Programs, February 2, 2018

Meeting: Texas Comptroller's Office – CAPPs, February 2, 2018

Meeting: SORM, State Business Continuity Update, February 8, 2018

Meeting: eStrategy, February 12, 2018

Presentation: New Deans and Directors Orientation, February 16, 2018

Meeting: NCSBN, ORBS, February 22, 2018

Presentation: Texas League for Vocational Nurses, Temple, February 23, 2018

Director of Enforcement

Meeting: TPAPN 3rd Party Referral Reviews with TPAPN staff, January 26, 2018, Austin

Meeting: TPAPN 3rd Party Referral Reviews with TPAPN staff, February 2, 2018, Austin

Meeting: TPAPN 3rd Party Referral Reviews with TPAPN staff, February 9, 2018, Austin

Conference Call: Texas A&M College of Nursing/RCHI/ BON KSTAR Nursing Pilot, February 14, 2018

Meeting: TPAPN 3rd Party Referral Reviews with TPAPN staff, February 16, 2018, Austin

Meeting: TPAPN 3rd Party Referral Reviews with TPAPN staff, February 23, 2018, Austin

Meeting: Audit of TPAPN initial meeting, February 26, 2018, Austin

Meeting: Audit of TPAPN exit meeting, March 2, 2018, Austin

Meeting: TPAPN 3rd Party Referral Reviews with TPAPN staff, March 2, 2018, Austin

Conference Call: Texas A&M College of Nursing/RCHI/ BON KSTAR Nursing Pilot, March 9, 2018

Meeting: TPAPN 3rd Party Referral Reviews with TPAPN staff, March 9, 2018, Austin

Meeting: TPAPN 3rd Party Referral Reviews with TPAPN staff, March 16, 2018, Austin

Meeting: TPAPN 3rd Party Referral Reviews with TPAPN staff, March 23, 2018, Austin

Director of Nursing and Nursing Consultants

Conference: NCBSN Annual Institute of Regulatory Excellence, January 23-25, 2018, San Francisco, CA

Webinar: Texas Health & Human Services HCS and TxHmL Quarterly Webinar, January 24, 2018

Meeting: Prescription Monitoring Program, January 30, 2018, Austin

Presentation: Texas Association of Deans and Directors of Professional Nursing Programs, February 2, 2018, Austin

Webinar: Nursing Town Hall Q&A, February 6, 2018

Conference Call: NCSBN Knowledge Network Call- Advanced Practice, February 8, 2018

Meeting: Nursing Innovative Grant Program Grantees, THECB, February 8, 2018, Austin

Meeting: Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB), Health Science Program, February 13, 2018, Austin

Conference Call: Texas A&M College of Nursing/ARCHI/BON KSTAR Nursing, February 14, 2018

Conference Call: NCSBN Knowledge Network Call- Practice, February 15, 2018

Presentation: New Deans, Directors, and Coordinators Orientation, February 16, 2018, Austin

Conference Call: NCSBN Education Outcomes and Metrics Call, February 20, 2018

Webinar: American Nurses Association- Nursing Ethics: Strategies to Address Professional Ethical Dilemmas Nurses Face, February 21, 2018

Presentation: Texas Organization of Nurse Executives Annual Meeting, Board of Nursing Updates, February 22-23, 2018, Dallas

Meeting: THECB- Simulation Grants, February 23, 2018, Austin

Conference Call: Texas Team Advancing Education Committee, February 23, 2018

Conference Call: Texas Team Advancing Education Committee Meeting, February 26, 2018

Meeting: National League for Nursing- Commission for Nursing Education Accreditation (CNEA), February 26-27, 2018, Washington, D.C.

Meeting: Texas Team Leadership, February 27, 2018, Ft. Worth

Meeting: Texas Center for Nursing Workforce Studies Advisory Committee Meeting- NEPIS Reports, February 28, 2018, Austin

Conference: NCBSN Midyear Meeting, March 5, 2018, Chicago, IL

Meeting: Targeted Remediation, March 9, 2018, Round Rock

Conference Call: Texas Team Advancing Education Committee, March 16, 2018

Meeting: Joint Meeting-THECB, TWC, TEA, March 19, 2018, Austin

Presentation: Nursing Jurisprudence and Ethics, Protecting Your Patients and Your Practice, March 28, 2018, Austin

Meeting: Technical Advisory Committee, NCLEX Joint Research Committee, March 28-29, 2018, Chicago, IL

Meeting: NCSBN Awards Committee, April 3, 2018, Chicago, IL

Conference Call: Texas A&M College of Nursing/RCHI/ BON KSTAR Nursing Pilot, April 4, 2018

Conference Call: NCSBN Knowledge Network- APRN, April 5, 2018

Conference Call: NCSBN Knowledge Network- Education, April 5, 2018

Meeting: Texas Medical Home Initiative & Texas Health Institute, Primary Care and Health Home Summit, April 5-6, 2018, Austin

Meeting: NCSBN APRN Roundtable, April 10, 2018, Rosemont, IL

Meeting: Texas Nurses Association Policy Summit, April 13, 2018, Dallas

Conference: Nursing Education Research, April 19-21, 2018, Washington, D.C.

Conference Call: NCSBN Knowledge Network- Practice, April 19, 2018

Quarterly Statistics Where Executive Director Closed Cases in Compliance with Board Policy:

Case Resolution Report
December 1, 2017 through February 28, 2018

Type of Action	Total
No Jurisdiction	10
No Violation	1
No Action	280
Insufficient Evidence	155
Admonish	15
Without Prejudice	1646
TPAPN Referrals	90
EEP Referrals	11
Corrective Actions	24
Totals	2232

Temporary Suspension Case Resolution Report
December 1, 2017, through February 28, 2018

Type of Action	Total
Voluntary Surrender	1
Totals	1

**Quarterly Statistics Where Executive Director Ratified Requests for
Exception
in Compliance with Board Policy:**

REQUESTS FOR EXCEPTION TO A PREVIOUSLY ISSUED AGREED ORDER
December 1, 2017 through February 28, 2018

Total Number of Requests Received	31
Number of Requests Resolved	27
Number of Requests Granted by Executive Director	12
Number of Requests Granted by Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee	8
Number of Requests Denied by Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee	6
Number of Requests Denied Pursuant to Board's Guidelines for Exceptions to Existing Board Orders	1
Number of Requests Pending	39*

*Seven (7) requests on May 8, 2018 E&D. Two (2) requests on June 12, 2018 E&D.

Cases Where Executive Director Offered and Entered Ordered Orders in Compliance with Board Policy:

LVN DISCIPLINARY ORDERS

Time frame: December 1, 2017, through February 28, 2018

DISCIPLINARY	
7	<p>FINE AND REMEDIAL EDUCATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Practiced as a Vocational Nurse without a valid license 1 Violated the boundaries of the nurse/client relationship by inappropriately engaging in a relationship 1 Telephoned Pharmacy and authorized refills for seven (7) medications without authorization 1 Inappropriately accessed the Electronic Health Records of her friend and her friend's newborn baby 1 Emotionally and/or verbally abused a patient 1 Violated confidentiality by misrepresenting self to be an employee of Kindred at Home Cleburne 1 Withdrew Zofran in excess frequency of the physician's order
9	<p>TPAPN CONFIDENTIAL BOARD ORDER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Misappropriated Morphine and Dilaudid 1 Misappropriated Hydrocodone and Oxycontin 1 Disclosed a sobriety date of June 24, 2016 on a renewal form 1 Intemperate use of Alcohol while on duty 1 Entered treatment for chemical dependency <p>PUBLIC TPAPAN BOARD ORDER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Disciplinary action taken by another Licensing Authority <p>TPAPN ENFORCED SUSPENSION BOARD ORDER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 Non-compliance with prior TPAPN participation agreement 1 Entered treatment for chemical dependency; deferred judgment for felony Poss. Controlled Substance
5	<p>REMEDIAL EDUCATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Failed to intervene appropriately when a resident fell from his wheelchair 1 Administered Dilaudid 1mg to a patient without a valid physician's order 1 Violated the boundaries of the nurse/client relationship by kissing the patient on the cheek 1 Failed to complete and submit recertification nursing notes 1 Failed to properly identify a patient resulting in the patient receiving the wrong take home prescription
13	<p>VOLUNTARY SURRENDER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 Non-compliance with previous Board Order 1 Deferred judgment for second degree felony Theft >=\$100,000 <\$200,000 5 Submitted a statement voluntarily surrendering in lieu of completing prior Board disciplinary action 2 Non-compliance with prior signed agreement with TPAPN; submitted voluntarily surrender statement 1 Deferred judgment for second degree felony Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon 1 Failed to disclose she did not meet the requirements for graduation 1 Accessed the facility administrative offices without authorization and entered 34 hours of overtime not Worked

LVN CORRECTIVE ACTION ORDERS

Time frame: December 1, 2017, through February 28, 2018

3	<p>LVN CORRECTIVE ACTION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 Practiced as a Vocational Nurse without a valid license 1 Inappropriately assigned the task of medication administration of narcotics to a CNA with no education preparation or experience
0	ENDORSEMENT CORRECTIVE ACTION
0	APPLICANT/PETITIONER CORRECTIVE ACTION

LVN DEFERRED DISCIPLINE ORDERS

Time frame: December 1, 2017, through February 28, 2018

2		REMEDIAL EDUCATION – DEFERRED DISCIPLINE
	1	Failed to take reasonable steps to ensure a Clinical Institute Withdrawal Assessment was completed
	1	every four hours as ordered Failed to administer Lovenox as ordered by a physician
0		FINE W/ REMEDIAL EDUCATION – DEFERRED DISCIPLINE

LVN ENDORSEMENT/PETITIONER DISCIPLINE ORDERS

Time frame: December 1, 2017, through February 28, 2018

303		APPLICANTS/PETITIONERS DISCIPLINE ORDER
	2	Diagnosed with mental health disorder
	1	Deferred judgment for felony Forgery Financial Instrument
	5	Denial of Licensure
	2	Prior Board Order during petition process
	5	Deferred judgment for felony Possession of a Controlled Substance
	1	Deferred judgment for felony Bribery
	1	Convicted of felony Driving While Intoxicated and Felony Repetition
	1	Deferred judgment for felony Burglary of Habitation
	2	Deferred judgment for felony Credit Card Misuse (Abuse)
	1	Convicted of felony Possession of Prohibited Item in a Controlled Facility
	2	Deferred judgment for felony Theft – Aggregate
	1	Convicted of felony Importing a Quantity of Marijuana
	1	Deferred judgment for felony Fraudulent Use or Possession of Identifying Information
	1	Convicted of two counts of felony Forgery – Commercial Instrument
	2	Deferred judgment for felony Theft
	1	Deferred judgment for felony Credit Card/Debit Card Abuse of Elderly Person
	1	Convicted of felony Stalking
	273	No Grounds for Denial
40		ENDORSEMENT DISCIPLINE ORDER
	2	Disciplinary Action taken by another Licensing Authority
	1	Convicted of felony Attempt Burglary, Theft Over, Burglary and Possession of a Controlled Substance
	1	Convicted of felony Burglary
	1	Convicted of felony Grand Theft by Employee, Agent, or Servant
	34	Convicted of felony Possession of a Controlled Substance and 2 counts of Delivery of a Controlled Substance
		No Grounds for Denial

Cases Where Executive Director Offered and Entered Ordered Orders in Compliance with Board Policy:

RN DISCIPLINARY ORDERS

Time frame: December 1, 2017, through February 28, 2018

DISCIPLINARY		
8		<p>FINE AND REMEDIAL EDUCATION</p> <p>1 Practiced Professional Nursing without a valid license</p> <p>1 Administered Clozapine not ordered by physician; administered the wrong medication</p> <p>1 Inappropriately accessed demographic data and used it to contact the patient</p> <p>1 Failed to document a negative deflection after a Peripherally Inserted Central Catheter</p> <p>1 Violated confidentiality by misrepresenting self to be an employee of Kindred at Home Cleburne</p> <p>1 Sent a friend request via Facebook to a patient and solicited Kyani, a nutritional supplement</p> <p>1 Inappropriately ordered and ran labs for the Emergency Department physician who was not a registered patient</p> <p>1 Exceeded scope of practice</p>
12		<p>REMEDIAL EDUCATION</p> <p>2 Disciplinary action taken by another Licensing Authority</p> <p>1 Failed to verify the physician's order for port placement prior to patient's procedure</p> <p>1 Misappropriated two (2) vials of Promethazine 25mg</p> <p>1 Failed to report sexual abuse of a minor and/or collaborate with the family and other healthcare providers on a thirteen year old approximately twenty-two weeks pregnant</p> <p>1 Failed to intervene appropriately when a resident fell from his wheelchair</p> <p>1 Failed to report that she was aware of a Dr's impairment due to his use of drugs during a surgery</p> <p>1 Inaccurately documented in the Pyxis medication dispensing system that she returned Fentanyl 100mg</p> <p>1 Administered Dilaudid 1mg to a patient without a valid physician's order</p> <p>1 Withdrew medications but failed to follow wastage procedures</p> <p>1 Failed to complete and submit recertification nursing notes</p> <p>1 Violated the boundaries of the nurse/client relationship by kissing the patient on the cheek</p>
20		<p>TPAPN CONFIDENTIAL BOARD ORDER</p> <p>1 Misappropriated 4 vials of Dilaudid and refilled the vials with saline gluing the lids back on</p> <p>1 Diagnosed and/or treated for a health and mental health condition</p> <p>1 Admitted to smoking marijuana; admitted to taking Benadryl and consuming alcohol prior to shift</p> <p>1 Intemperate use of Amphetamine, Methamphetamine, and Codeine</p> <p>1 Misappropriated Morphine and Dilaudid</p> <p>1 Misappropriated Hydrocodone and Oxycontin</p> <p>1 Withdrew Morphine, Fentanyl, and Hydrocodone for four patients not assigned to her care</p> <p>1 Misappropriated two vials of Hydromorphone, Dilaudid, Morphine, and Ativan</p> <p>1 Non-compliance with a prior signed agreement with TPAPN</p> <p>1 Lacked to fitness to practice; defecated on herself in the restroom, admitted to taking prescribed dose of 0.5mg Klonopin and an additional 1.5mg</p> <p>1 Misappropriated Dilaudid and Zofran</p> <p>1 Intemperate use of Oxycodone resulting in positive drug screen</p> <p>PUBLIC TPAPAN BOARD ORDER</p> <p>2 Non-compliance with a prior signed agreement with TPAPN</p> <p>1 Disciplinary action taken by another Licensing Authority</p> <p>1 Misappropriated Dilaudid, Morphine, Lorazepam, Hydrocodone, and Promethazine</p> <p>TPAPN ENFORCED SUPENSION BOARD ORDER</p> <p>1 Non-compliance with prior TPAPN Board Order</p> <p>1 Intemperate use of Marijuana and Opiates; admitted to taking one Hydrocodone tablet while on duty</p> <p>1 Found with a tourniquet around arm with blood dripping from antecubital area in the operating room</p> <p>1 Intemperate use of Marijuana and Morphine</p>

14		VOLUNTARY SURRENDER
	5	Non-compliance with previous Board Order
	1	Disciplinary action taken by another licensing authority
	3	Submitted a statement voluntarily surrendering their license to practice nursing
	1	Engaged in non-therapeutic prescribing practices
	1	Failed to notify the physician when the peripherally inserted central catheter became dislodged
	1	Intemperate use of amphetamine and methamphetamine resulting in a positive drug screen
	1	Intemperate use of Meperidine, Marijuana, and Benzodiazepines; misappropriated seven vials of Meperidine
	1	Falsified education on application for licensure by examination

RN CORRECTIVE ACTION ORDERS

Time frame: December 1, 2017, through February 28, 2018

8		RN CORRECTIVE ACTION
	1	Violated patient confidentiality when he posted picture of a patient n Instagram
	1	Failed to ensure a consent form was timely signed after receiving the patient’s verbalized consent
	1	Exposed the patient to the risk of emotional and/or psychological injury
	1	Failed to document intake and/or output and temperatures of patients prior to discharge
	1	Failed to completely document skilled nursing home visits
	1	Withheld the administration of Lasix per rapid Response Protocol
	1	Failed to clarify with physician that there were no current orders for blood glucose checks or insulin administration for a patient who was diabetic and had experienced elevated glucose readings
	1	Removed eight narcotics but failed to document the administration
0		ENDORSEMENT CORRECTIVE ACTION
0		APPLICANT/PETITIONER CORRECTIVE ACTION

RN DEFERRED DISCIPLINE ORDERS

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3		REMEDIAL EDUCATION – DEFERRED DISCIPLINE
	1	Failed to administered Lovenox as ordered by a physician
	1	Administered Fosarnet at a rate in excess of the physician’s order
	1	Failed to document a patient pain assessment; failed to secure a patient’s medication in her room
0		FINE W/ REMEDIAL EDUCATION – DEFERRED DISCIPLINE

RN ENDORSEMENT/PETITIONER DISCIPLINE ORDERS

Time frame: December 1, 2017, through February 28, 2018

135	<p>13 1 1 1 119</p>	<p>ENDORSEMENT DISCIPLINE ORDER Disciplinary Action taken by another Licensing Authority Convicted of felony Stealing Over \$500 Administered Norepinephrine intravenously instead of Nicardipine intravenously Non-disclosure of criminal history or disciplinary action on application for licensure by Endorsement No Grounds for Denial</p>
671	<p>2 3 3 3 1 1 3 1 3 1 1 1 3 1 1 1 1 1 643</p>	<p>APPLICANTS/PETITIONERS DISCIPLINE ORDER Disciplinary Action taken by another Licensing Authority Prior Board Order during petition process Diagnosed with mental health disorder Entered treatment for substance abuse addiction Convicted of felony Theft of Stolen Property Convicted of felony Involuntary Manslaughter Deferred judgment for felony Possession of a Controlled Substance Deferred judgment for felony Unauthorized use of a Motor Vehicle Deferred judgment for felony Theft Convicted of felony Burglary of a Building Convicted of felony Conspiracy to Possess with Intent to Distribute Deferred judgment for felony Forgery – Possession With Intent to Pass Deferred judgment for felony Credit Card Abuse; convicted of felony Conspiracy to Utter Forged and Counterfeit Securities Deferred judgment for two counts of felony Burglary of Habitation Convicted of felony Arson Deferred Judgment for felony Possession of a Controlled Substance; felony Delivery of a Controlled Substance and felony Failure to Appear Deferred judgment for felony Credit Card or Debit Card Abuse No Grounds for Denial</p>

5 Education Statistics									
5.1	Nursing Jurisprudence Exam Statistics	Totals FY'15	Totals FY'16	Totals FY'17	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Running FY 2018
5.1.1	Total Nursing Jurisprudence Exam taken	41,696	34,988	36281	9181	8,370			17551
5.1.1.1	Exam Not Completed (total)	6,553	853	1164	251	245			496
5.1.1.2	Percentage Not Completed	15.14	2.48	3.22	2.73	2.93			2.83
5.1.1.3	Did Not Pass the Exam (total)	5,529	5,435	6870	1861	1746			3607
5.1.1.4	Percentage Did Not Pass Exam	13.855	15.66	19.10	20.27	20.86			20.57
5.1.1.5	Exam Passed (Total)	28,814	28,700	28247	7069	6,379			13448
5.1.1.6	Percentage Exam Passed	71.00	81.86	77.69	77.00	76.21			76.61
5.1.2	LVN-Candidate	7,846	6,530	6614	1425	1,327			2752
5.1.2.1	Exam Not Completed	1,007	105	179	32	29			61
5.1.2.3	Did Not Pass the Exam	1,667	1,520	1789	381	366			747
5.1.2.5	Exam passed	5,172	4,905	4646	1012	932			1944
5.1.3	LVN-Endorsement	2,212	1,917	1731	410	427			837
5.1.3.1	Exam Not Completed	433	43	80	6	11			17
5.1.3.3	Did Not Pass the Exam	559	588	549	149	135			284
5.1.3.5	Exam passed	1,220	1,286	1102	255	281			536
5.1.4	RN-Candidate	15,334	14,406	16104	4443	4,051			8494
5.1.4.1	Exam Not Completed	2,218	386	555	136	136			272
5.1.4.3	Did Not Pass the Exam	1,415	1,705	2615	836	819			1655
5.1.4.5	Exam passed	11,701	12,315	12934	3471	3,096			6567
5.1.5	RN-Endorsement	14,464	11,276	11038	2678	2,306			4984
5.1.5.1	Exam Not Completed	2,699	308	328	74	58			132
5.1.5.3	Did Not Pass the Exam	1,821	1,545	1825	476	400			876
5.1.5.5	Exam passed	9,944	9,423	8885	2128	1,848			3976
5.1.6	Refresher Course/Renewal Requirements	1,040	859	794	225	255			480
5.1.6.1	Exam Not Completed	196	11	22	3	11			14
5.1.6.3	Did Not Pass the Exam	67	77	92	19	25			44
5.1.6.5	Exam passed	777	771	680	203	219			422



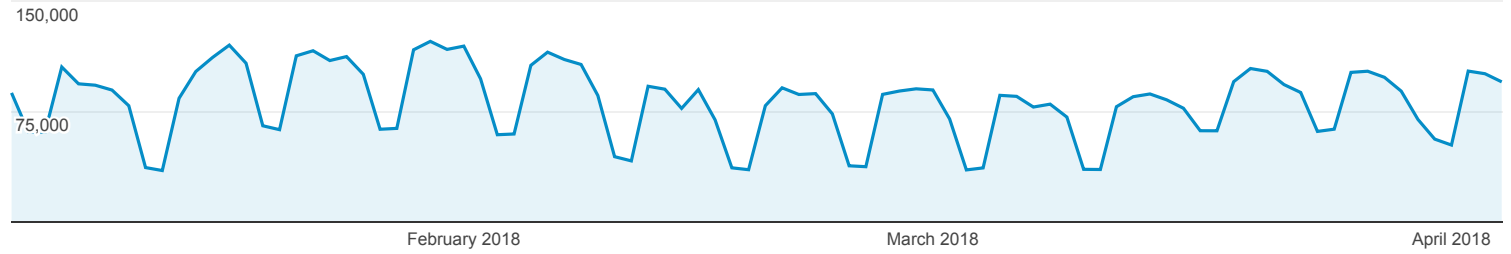
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Jan 5, 2018 - Apr 4, 2018

Overview

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Other Interstate Licensure Compacts for Healthcare Professions

Compacts in Progress

- 1) Nursing (RN/LPN)
- 2) Nursing (APRN)
- 3) Physicians
- 4) Physical Therapists
- 5) Emergency Medical Technicians
- 6) Psychologists

Compacts or Portability Options Being Considered

- 1) Occupational Therapists
- 2) Speech Pathologists / Audiologists
- 3) Nutritionists / Dieticians
- 4) Athletic Trainers
- 5) Physician Assistants
- 6) Social Workers
- 7) Counselors
- 8) Veterinarians



Enactment Status of Interstate Licensure Compacts

