

Report on Communication Activities With Nursing Education Programs

This report describes the participation of Nursing Consultants for Education of the Texas Board of Nursing (Board or BON) in activities to promote communication with the Texas pre-licensure nursing education programs and constituents.

Texas Association of Deans and Directors of Professional Nursing Programs (TADDPNP)

On October 13, 2017, the Nursing Consultants for Education attended the TADDPNP conference held in Austin at the Omni Hotel. The conference was attended by deans and directors of professional nursing education programs from across the state. Representatives from the Board: Kathy Thomas, Executive Director; Mark Majek, Director of Operations; and Janice Hooper, Nursing Education Consultant, presented updates and timely information specific to pre-licensure programs and Board processes. Audience responses to the presentations were positive. Many attendees expressed appreciation for the relevance of the topics, as well as the opportunity to dialogue with Board Staff. The next TADDPNP meeting is scheduled for February 2018.

Texas Association of Vocational Nurse Educators (TAVNE)

On October 27, 2017, the Nursing Consultants for Education attended the TAVNE conference held in Austin at the Omni Hotel. The conference was attended by vocational nurse educators from across the state. Representatives from the Board, Kristin Benton, Director of Nursing; Mark Majek, Director of Operations; and Janice Hooper and Virginia Ayars, Nursing Education Consultants addressed Updates from Board, Advisory Committee on Education, NEPIS and CANEP reports, and operation updates. Audience response to the presentations was positive, and many attendees expressed appreciation for the relevance of the topics as well as the opportunity to dialogue with Board staff.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

This is an informational report. No action is required.