

## **Nurse Licensure Compact Update**

### **Enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact**

31 States Enact the Enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact: Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin and Wyoming have enacted the enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact (eNLC). Kansas and Louisiana passed the eNLC with a delayed implementation date of July 2019.

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

### **The Commission of Interstate Nurse Licensure Compact Administrators**

The Interstate Commission of Nurse Licensure Compact Administrators (ICNLCA) is the governing body of the eNLC. They are authorized by law to promulgate uniform rules to facilitate and coordinate implementation and administration of this Compact. They are also empowered to adopt bylaws to conduct the operations of the Commission. The Commission held a Strategic Planning session in December and the Commissioners will meet in again at a two day facilitated Summit in February to discuss the feedback received at the planning session and develop next steps.

<https://www.ncsbn.org/nurse-licensure-compact-administrators.htm>

### **New Rules**

In May 2018, the Commission began consideration of the second set of rules since adoption of the eNLC. Amendments to Compact Rules Section 201. Uniform Data Set and Levels of Access, Section 502. Dispute Resolution and Section 503. Compliance and Reinforcement were approved to publish as proposed rules on May 1, 2018. Proposed rules were published and public comments were received from May 2-July 2, 2018. A public hearing was held on June 29, 2018. The rules were adopted August 14, 2018 and will become effective Jan 1, 2019. All Compact rules adopted or proposed by the Commission can be found at:

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

### **Resources**

NCSBN has organized resources to help Boards of Nursing prepare staff for NLC implementation. Materials cover a wide range of topics and include: online course, factsheets, policy statements, FAQs, toolkits, videos and more.

<https://www.ncsbn.org/nurse-licensure-compact.htm>

### **APRN Compact**

Three states have passed and enacted the APRN Compact: Idaho, North Dakota, and Wyoming. The NCSBN Board of Directors appointed a 2018-2019 APRN Compact Task Force to consider potential changes to promote broader adoption of the Compact. The Task Force has met twice and will report to the NCSBN Board of Directors at their February meeting and present the progress to the membership at the NCSBN Midyear Meeting.

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

### **Texas Compact Statute and Rules**

The Texas NLC Statute can be found at:

[https://www.bon.texas.gov/laws\\_and\\_rules\\_nursing\\_practice\\_act\\_2017.asp#\\_Toc498606636](https://www.bon.texas.gov/laws_and_rules_nursing_practice_act_2017.asp#_Toc498606636)

[https://www.bon.texas.gov/rr\\_current/220-1.asp](https://www.bon.texas.gov/rr_current/220-1.asp)