

Report on Communication Activities With Nursing Education Programs

This agenda item is reserved to report the formal communication activities of the Nursing Consultants for Education with Texas pre-licensure nursing education programs and stakeholders.

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

Board Staff attended the fall meeting of TADDPNP at the Omni Austin Hotel at Southpark on October 8, 2021. Kathy Thomas, Kristin Benton, and Janice Hooper presented the following topics to the deans and directors:

- Board Updates
- National Licensing Compact
- Texas Nursing Data and Discipline Data
- Upcoming Events
- NCLEX Status
- Education Outcomes and Metrics
- Post-COVID Nursing Education
- Criminal Background Checks
- Nursing Statistics
- Declaratory Orders
- Texas Nurse Portal/ORBS
- BON Funding/Budget

Texas Association of Vocational Nursing Educators (TAVNE)

Board Staff also attended the October 27, 2021 meeting of TAVNE at the Omni Austin Hotel at Southpark. Topics covered by Kristin Benton, Janice Hooper, and Mark Majek included:

- Board updates
- Latest NGN information
- Review of VN clinical requirements
- Implementing the 2021 DECs
- Post-COVID curriculum changes
- Lessons from Self-Study Report findings
- Conducting Virtual Survey Visits
- Nursing statistics
- Licensing and operations for VN Programs

- Declaratory Orders
- Texas Nurse Portal/ORBS
- Budget and Financing the BON

Education Newsletter

The current Education Newsletter was released in October (https://www.bon.texas.gov/pdfs/education_pdfs/education_newsletter/Education%20Newsletter%20Fall%202021.pdf). Leading articles focused on:

- The Current Clinical Situation (based upon program survey)
- Practice/Education Partnerships for Clinical Practice
- International Nurses Seeking a Texas License
- Post-COVID Curriculum Changes
- Implementing the DEC's

RECOMMENDATION:

This is an informational report. No action is required.