The **mission** of the Board of Nursing is to protect and promote the welfare of the people of Texas by ensuring that each person holding a license as a nurse in this state is competent to practice safely. The Board fulfills its mission through the regulation of the practice of nursing and the approval of nursing educational programs.

The **purpose** of the *Task Force to Study Implications of Growth in Texas Nursing Education Programs* is to create a forum for dialogue among stakeholders on how to ensure that the State of Texas will continue to provide quality nursing education and produce safe, competent graduates in a changing environment.

The Task Force was developed in response to concerns from constituents (clinical sites, nursing education programs, nursing graduates) about changes in the environment that are affecting opportunities for student success during their educational pursuit which could impact the foundation of their nursing practice. The desired outcome of the Task Force is to provide information to the Board which will facilitate informed decision-making in response to the growth in Texas nursing education programs.

10:00 a.m.  
**Call to Order – Pat Yoder-Wise**  
Welcome and Review of the Purpose of the Task Force  
Review of Task Force Progress to Date

10:20 a.m.  
**Purpose of November 1 Meeting: Subcommittees will present templates, findingss and suggested reports for January 2013 Board Meeting**

10:30 a.m.  
**Subgroup #1: Availability of Clinical Learning Experiences – Sally Williams, Facilitator**

11:00 a.m.  
**Subgroup #2: Inadequate Number of Qualified Nursing Faculty – Deborah Yancy, Facilitator**

11:30 a.m.  
**Subgroup #3: Need for Testing and Development of Emerging Models of Nursing Education – Pat Yoder-Wise, Facilitator**

12:00 noon  
**Lunch break**

12:30 p.m.  
**Subgroup #4: Workforce Issues Related to Readiness of Nursing Graduates for Employment – Cheryl Livengood, Facilitator**

1:00 p.m.  
**Finalization of January Board Report**

2:00 p.m.  
**Adjournment**