



NCSBN

Leading Regulatory Excellence

Member Engagement and Government Affairs



NCSBN Overview

- NCSBN empowers and supports nursing regulators in their mandate to protect the public.
- 89 Members Worldwide
 - 59 U.S. Members
 - 25 Associate Members
 - 5 Exam User Members

Member Engagement Resources

- NCSBN Passport
- Knowledge Networks
 - Education
 - Discipline
 - APRN
 - Policy
 - Executive Officer Leadership Council

Member Engagement Resources 1

- Other Networking Opportunities
 - Midyear Meeting
 - Annual Meeting
 - Discipline Case Management Conference
 - Leadership and Public Policy Conference
 - Board of Nursing Investigator Training

Member Engagement Resources

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- International Center for Regulatory Scholarship
 - Courses for staff and board members
 - Role of the Regulatory Board Member
 - Principles of Nursing Board Governance
 - Detecting Fraud in Licensure Applications
 - Introduction to Disciplinary Investigations
 - Role of the Executive Officer
 - Cracking the Code to Nursing Education Program Approval
 - Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in Regulatory Practice
 - Introduction to Public Policy
 - Courses for licensees

Member Engagement Resources 2

- NCSBN conducts cutting-edge, award-winning research that supports evidence-based regulatory decisions for patient safety and public protection.
 - National Prelicensure RN Study: Assessing the Impact of COVID-19 on Nursing Education
 - 2022 National Nursing Workforce Study
 - Impact of Pandemic Regulatory Changes on the Nursing Workforce
 - *Journal of Nursing Regulation*

Member Engagement Resources

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- Member Board Profiles
 - Comprehensive database which provides detailed information about NCSBN's Member Boards
 - Advanced Practice Registered Nursing
 - Assistive Personnel
 - Board Structure
 - Discipline
 - Education
 - Licensure

Government Affairs

- State Affairs
 - Legislative advocacy for Nurse Licensure Compact and APRN Compact
 - Legislative advocacy for APRN Consensus Model
 - Legislative resources for nursing regulatory bodies



SHINE THROUGH

SHAPING A BRILLIANT FUTURE

2023 MIDYEAR MEETING MARCH 28-30, 2023 | SEATTLE



NCSBN Federal Affairs

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Welcome to Washington D.C.

- NCSBN has been present in Washington D.C. since 2014
- Our role is to represent NCSBN and its members at the Federal Level
- I meet with Members of Congress and the Administration including cabinet officials to discuss legislation and provide information for the record
- I write letters and statements which are included in Hearing Records

Military Spouses .

- H.R. 7939 – Veterans Auto and Education Improvement
 - Originally proposed in 2018 but did not pass. During this time, staff worked to get the compact carve out.
- Bill states that if a servicemember/spouse has to relocate due to military orders, new SLB must recognize the current license at a similar scope and only for the duration of the military orders
- There is a carve out for interstate compacts

VA Provider Accountability Act.

- To work in the VHA, you need a single unencumbered license, regardless of the state you currently working in or licensed in
- This bill requires VHA facilities to report adverse events to appropriate SLBs and the NPDB
- Also prevents facilities from entering into agreements which would prevent them from reporting the event
- Similar bill being considered to address similar issues within the Indian Health Service
- Signed into law in December 2022

DATA X Waivers.

- DEA Data X Waiver was required for practitioners who wish to prescribe buprenorphine as a part of MAT treatment for substance use disorder.
- In 2018, legislation reduced the burden and only required waivers for providers treating more than 10
- Omnibus Bill of 2023 ordered SAMSHA to completely get rid of the waivers, allowing all providers to prescribe MAT so long as they follow state laws

End of the Public Health Emergency

- President Biden ordered the PHE to end on May 11, 2023.
- Staff is working on compiling guidance for boards to prepare for the end and the termination of most waivers
- Still some hope that some waivers will be signed into law by Congressional legislation

NY Congressional Delegation

- Rep. Brandon Williams (NY-22)
- Rep. Nick Langworthy (NY-23)
- Rep. Anthony D'Esposito (NY-04)
- House Minority Leader Hareem Jefferies (NY-08)
- Rep. Paul Tanko (NY-20)
- Rep. Brian Higgins (NY-26)

Questions?

Please never hesitate to reach out to me if you
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