



National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN®) Policy Position Statement

Policy Position Title: Advancement of Nursing Education

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2. The Tri-Council's call to action states, "Regulators and state law makers should support implementation of quality, innovative nursing program designs that facilitate academic progression." NCSBN is in agreement and in 2009 adopted model administrative rules that foster innovations in nursing education. NCSBN is continuing to monitor the use of these model rules and will be a resource for boards of nursing and educators on regulation's role in fostering education innovations.
3. The call to action urges state governments to partner with boards of nursing, nursing programs, state nursing associations, hospitals, state hospital associations and other stakeholders to enact legislation that supports the progression of nurses to advance their education. It urges states to facilitate seamless pathways for nurses to obtain bachelor of science in nursing (BSN) and graduate degrees. Congruent with this, some boards of nursing are implementing core curricula that encourage the seamless advancement of education. Other articulation strategies to foster seamless pathways are being used as well. NCSBN will continue to work with boards of nursing on strategies to promote a seamless advancement of education.

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