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FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



There are few times in one's life when one experiences a truly surreal moment. That came for me at the close of the 2013 Legislative Session. On June 3rd, I made my way to the Louisiana State Capitol Building for what may be the very last time as the Executive Director of the

Louisiana State Board of Nursing (LSBN). Over the last 30 years I have made many visits to the State Capitol in one of two roles, as Executive Director of the Louisiana State Nurses Association (LSNA), or for the last 25 years, as Executive Director of LSBN. On June 3rd, there was no testimony to prepare, legislators to meet with, or opposition to contend with. I needed only to don my newest suit and appear at the designated time in the House Chambers.

What I was not prepared for on this very special day was how deeply emotional the moment would be when Representative Willmott rose to introduce Louisiana House Concurrent Resolution (HCR) 173 to acknowledge my pending retirement and to recognize my service to LSBN and the citizens of Louisiana. In the presence of my Husband, my Directors with whom I work so closely every day, Dr. Demetrius Porche, President of the LSBN Board, Jolie Harris, LSBN Board member, who also represented members of the LSBN Board who have been so supportive over the years, and Lisa Deaton, LSNA Health Policy Chair, who has spent many a day with me in the Capitol. As the resolution was read, I was overcome with a rush of memories of all the work and accomplishments over my 25 years and the people who worked so closely with me to achieve that work. As the acknowledgement was read, I had flashbacks to the Board Presidents, Board members, and Board staff that were there with me every step of the way. At that moment, it seemed that all of the blood, sweat, and tears of the past 25 years were all worthwhile. I also knew at that moment that it wasn't only about the work, but about the many, many individuals that enriched my life over the years; people that I could truly call my colleagues and friends!

Representative Willmott directed us from the House Chambers over to the Senate, where Senator Martiny took a privilege to acknowledge my pending retirement and the work of the LSBN. Several legislators in both Chambers came to give their personal thanks and appreciation for my work with them on legislative or constituent issues. Their words of appreciation meant so much to me because on various occasions over the past 25 years we may have found ourselves on opposing sides of an issue. I have always strived to be honest and as thorough as possible relative to any information I have shared with legislators on behalf of LSBN over the past 25 years. To receive their personal expression of appreciation for the work that I have done as the Executive Director of LSBN was deeply gratifying.

So, my deepest appreciation goes to Representative Willmott for giving me this moment. Special thanks to Jolie Harris, Board Member, Lisa Deaton, LSNA Health Policy Chair, and Cynthia York, Director of Practice/Credentialing for their part in coordinating this special acknowledgement with Representative Willmott. I hope that those of you with whom I have worked so closely over the years as Board members, Board staff, and nursing community leaders, will take a moment to read the resolution and know you share a part of this acknowledgement. I am so grateful to have you as a colleague and friend! The resolution can be found [here](#).

For the public trust,

Barbara L. Morvant, MN, RN





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Research in Action at the Louisiana State Board of Nursing

Prelicensure RN Students With and Without Criminal Histories: A Comparative Analysis

Published in the **Journal of Nursing Regulation**, Volume 4, Issue I, April 2013

Authors: Danielle Smith, MSN, RN; Shana Corvers, PhD; William J. Wilson, MS; Dominique Douglas, MS; and Cynthia Bienemy, PhD, RN

The Louisiana State Board of Nursing (LSBN) would like to congratulate Ms. Danielle Smith, MSN, RN, former Director of Monitoring, and her research team on having their research published in the Journal of Nursing Regulation, the official journal of the National Council of State Boards of Nursing. The manuscript described the research that was conducted by Ms. Smith (Primary Investigator) and her research team which focused on determining if differences exist between preRN licensure students who have a criminal history and those who do not, relative to program completion, NCLEX-RN passage, subsequent criminal acts, and subsequent professional misconduct. Findings from the study revealed that there were no significant differences between the two groups in terms of nursing program completion and NCLEX-RN passage, but there were significant differences between the two groups relative to the rates of subsequent criminal activity and professional misconduct. Louisiana is in a very unique position, in that it is currently the only state in which the Board of Nursing has jurisdiction over a nursing student's entry into clinical practice. It is for this reason that this type of research is considered to be ground breaking.

Disciplinary Matters

LSBN took a total of 86 actions at the April 16, 2013 hearing panel. For a complete listing click the link below:

[April 16, 2013](#)

LSBN took a total of 27 actions at the May 14, 2013 hearing panel. For a complete listing click the link below:

[May 14, 2013](#)

LSBN took a total of 35 actions at the June 11, 2013 hearing panel. For a complete listing click the link below:

[June 11, 2013](#)

LSBN took a total of 44 actions at the July 9, 2013 hearing panel. For a complete listing click the link below:

[July 9, 2013](#)

Barbara McGill, MSN, RN Joins LSBN Staff as Director of Monitoring

LSBN is pleased to announce that Barbara McGill, MSN, RN, has accepted the position as Director of Monitoring at LSBN. Ms. McGill served as Recovery Nurse Program (RNP) Manager and Director of Monitoring/Compliance prior to hurricane Katrina. Ms. McGill returns to LSBN with knowledge and expertise in the field of chemical dependency, knowledge of the RNP program, and an established state and national networking system in the field.

LSBN would like to express our deepest appreciation to Danielle Smith, MSN, RN, former Director of Monitoring at LSBN, for her many contributions to LSBN during her tenure with the Board.

Keeping Up With Changes Pertaining To Your Practice

There are many ways to ensure that licensees can stay informed as to what is going on at LSBN that relates to their practice.

1. Keep your contact information up to date especially your email so that you will be able to receive correspondences from LSBN promptly and efficiently. Ensure that your email from LSBN is not routed to your spam/junk mailbox.
2. Read the quarterly publication of your licensing agency, The Examiner.
3. Check the LSBN website regularly.
4. Check the Board meeting agenda items made public on the LSBN website:
<http://www.lsbn.state.la.us/>.

WE STRIVE TO KEEP YOU INFORMED. YOU CAN DO YOUR PART BY STAYING CONNECTED.

Cynthia York Receives NCSBN Re-appointment

Cynthia York, RN, MSN, CGRN, Director of Practice and Credentialing at the Louisiana State Board of Nursing was recently re-appointed to the Finance Committee of the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN). During her two year re-appointment term, she along with other Finance Committee members, will be responsible for reviewing and auditing the NCSBN's annual budget and investments, and making recommendations to the Board of Directors to ensure prudence and integrity of fiscal management and responsiveness to Member Board needs.





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APRN Corner

Practice Matters: Issuing Emergency Certificates

Louisiana statutes allow for APRNs who are Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioners to execute an emergency certificate (previously known as a physician's emergency certificate or PEC). If the patient is a minor, the APRN must be a Family Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (see Children's Health Code Article 1421). According to the statutes, the emergency certificate may be executed "only after an actual examination of a person alleged to be mentally ill or suffering from substance abuse who is determined to be in need of immediate care and treatment in a treatment facility because the

examining physician, psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner, or psychologist determines the person to be dangerous to self or others or to be gravely disabled" (R.S. 28:53). APRNs who are not licensed as Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioners are not authorized to execute or extend an emergency certificate.

Pronouncing Death/Signing Death Certificates

There are statutes relative to pronouncing death and certifying death that have "physician only" language. Therefore, APRNs are excluded and prohibited from providing these services in Louisiana. You may view these statutes by searching for revised statutes 9:111 and 40:49 at: <http://www.legis.la.gov/legis/LawSearch.aspx>.

APRN 2014 Licensure Renewal Recertification Requirements

Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRN) must renew both their Registered Nurse (RN) and APRN license each fall for the next calendar year. To renew as an APRN, the nurse must *either*:

- A. Hold current national certification in their advanced practice role(s) and population focus/specialty, with *primary source* proof on file with the Louisiana State Board of Nursing (LSBN). APRNs whose certification has expired, *or will expire by December 31, 2013*, will be required to have their national certifying organization send primary source proof of recertification **directly to LSBN**. *Copies of recertification cards, emails and/or letters sent to the APRN from their organization will not be accepted by LSBN*. Once proof of recertification has been received by LSBN from the APRN's certifying organization, the APRN will be authorized to complete the 2014 on-line licensure renewal. Please contact your national certifying organization regarding how to make this request and whether a fee is required to have them send proof of recertification directly to LSBN.
----- **OR** -----
- B. If national certification was not available in the advanced role/specialty when originally licensed, the nurse must submit evidence to LSBN for review and approval of having met commensurate requirements during 2013 prior to being eligible for license renewal. All practice hours and continuing education **must** be at the advanced level (*advanced assessment, diagnosis and management of conditions, pharmacology, etc.*) and directly related to the full scope of the advanced practice role and specialty for which the commensurate licensure had been granted.

APRN's with Prescriptive Authority -

Each year an APRN with prescriptive authority must obtain six (6) contact/credit hours of continuing education (CE) in pharmacotherapeutics (pharmacology). The pharmacology CEs must be at the advanced level and related to the APRN's role and specialty. APRN's will be requested to attest that they have completed/complied with this requirement during the on-line renewal.





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Development of Guidelines for Registered Nurse Delegation of Non-Complex Tasks to Direct Service Workers

During the 2011 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session, Act 299 was signed into law by Governor Bobby Jindal. Said statute is relative to home and community-based providers and serves, in part, to provide for the applicability of statutory provisions governing Direct Service Workers (DSWs), including appropriate training of DSWs. The statute does not apply to gratuitous care provided by friends or members of the individual's family, but rather DSWs employed by a licensed agency or employed as part of an authorized departmental self-directed program, and who attend to individuals receiving home and community-based long-term services. Click [here](#) to review the statute in its entirety.

Subsequently, in December 2012, the Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH), Bureau of Health Services Financing amended LAC 48:1, Chapter 92 of their rules and regulations to provide for the inclusion of information contained in Act 299. Click [here](#) to review the rules in their entirety.

As directed in the statute, the Louisiana State Board of Nursing (LSBN) Practice Department is currently working in collaboration with DHH to develop guidelines for Registered Nurse (RN) delegation of non-complex tasks to DSWs. A non-complex health procedure is defined as: "one that can safely be performed according to exact directions, with no need to alter the standard procedure, and the results are predictable" (*Title 46.XIV.2.3703.a.iv.a.*). Non-complex tasks may be delegated by RNs to DSWs in situations in which the client's condition is stable and predictable and skill competency has been established. According to DHH, stable and predictable is defined as: "a situation in which the person's clinical and behavioral status is determined by a licensed RN to be non-fluctuating and consistent. A stable and predictable condition involves long term health care needs which are recuperative in nature and do not require the regular scheduled presence of a RN or licensed practical nurse" (*L.A.C. 48:1.92.9201*).

While the administration of medication is considered a complex task and not normally delegated to unlicensed personnel, some exceptions are applicable under L.A.C. 48:1.92. For example, the "administration of oral and topical medication, ointments, suppositories or a pre-measured dosage unit provided by the manufacturer of an oral inhalant aerosol, as ordered by an authorized prescriber" (*L.A.C. 48:1.92.9249.1*), provided the RN is in compliance with LSBN's general rules of delegation and other applicable statutes, rules and regulations. Other complex tasks such as administration of insulin, intravenous medication, nebulizer treatments, and oxygen may not be delegated by the RN to the DSW.

Provisions included in Act 299 and L.A.C. 48:1.92, as well as the pending guidelines pertaining to RN delegation to DSWs, applies only to home and community-based services and "do not include services provided in day or residential congregate care settings including, but not limited to, the following: 1. nursing facilities; 2. hospice care facilities; 3. hospitals; 4. intermediate care facilities; 5. adult residential care providers; 6. adult day health care centers; or 7. any other 24-hour facility licensed by the department or the Department of Children and Family Services, exclusive of center-based respite facilities" (*L.A.C. 48:1.92.9201*).





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Continuing Education Requirements for 2014 Registered Nurse License Renewals

Registered Nurse (RN) license renewal season begins in early October, 2013. Now's the time to review the nursing continuing education (CE) you've obtained this year to ensure you have sufficient contact hours accredited by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) or a specific U.S. State Board of Nursing (BON) that meet Louisiana State Board of Nursing (LSBN) CE requirements.

This is also a good time to visit LSBN's [My Services](#) section to verify that your email, mailing address and phone numbers are current to make sure you receive Board notifications promptly.

What is my CE requirement to renew my Louisiana RN license for 2014?

All Louisiana licensed RNs, except those that were issued a 1st time Louisiana license in the 2013 calendar year, must be in compliance with LSBN rules regarding annual nursing CE requirements that are accredited by either the ANCC or a specific State BON prior to renewing his/her RN license online.

A random CE audit is conducted each year in which 3 percent of all active licensees are selected to demonstrate compliance with the nursing CE requirement. Failure to respond or successfully pass the CE audit can result in the inactivation of the nurse's license and/or disciplinary action. Maintaining LSBN accepted nursing CE documentation for at least five (5) years is the responsibility of the individual nurse.

How many nursing CE contact hours do I need each year to renew my Louisiana RN license?

Nursing Practice Level for Year	ANCC/BON accredited CEs Needed
Practiced nursing 1600 hours (or more) within the calendar year. The 1600 hours is equivalent to 10 consecutive months of nursing employment at 40 hours per week	Minimum of 5 contact hours of ANCC or State BON accredited nursing continuing education required annually for license renewal
Practiced nursing at least 160 hours, but less than 1600 hours. 160 hours is the equivalent of 4 weeks at 40 hours per week	Minimum of 10 contact hours of ANCC or State BON accredited nursing continuing education required annually for license renewal
Practiced nursing less than 160 hours during the calendar year. This level includes nurses who are retired from active practice, had unverified nursing employment, self-employed, and/or had not worked during the year – but still wish to renew their nursing license for next year.	Minimum of 15 contact hours of ANCC or State BON accredited nursing continuing education required annually for license renewal. NOTE - Nurses with 15 or more ANCC/BON accredited nursing contact hours do not need to provide proof of nursing practice hours verified by their employer if audited.

What documentation do I need to obtain and verify before I renew my RN license?

A certificate of completion for each nursing CE topic/course that includes all of the following information:

- name of the CE provider/source
- title of CE topic/training indicating it was nursing related
- your name
- number of contact hours awarded for completing the topic/training
- date the contact hours were awarded in 2013
- clear printed statement that the nursing CE was accredited by either **ANCC** - or – by a specific **U.S. State BON**.

Click [here](#) to view a sample CE certificate.





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Does training obtained through my place of employment count?

Sometimes training obtained through your nursing employer may qualify, but do not assume. Look at each CE certificate of completion carefully for the information required to meet LSBN nursing CE requirements as explained previously.

An employer has the right to require certain training as a condition of employment, but only nursing CE that shows accreditation by the **ANCC** or a **State BON** on the certificate may be counted toward the contact hours needed each year to renew your Louisiana RN license. If you need to obtain additional ANCC/BON accredited CE this year, you may find resources on LSBN's website by clicking [here](#).

Are there other ways to meet the annual CE requirement for license renewal?

Yes – there are two (2) other methods by which you could qualify to renew your RN license:

1. If you attended school this year for a **post-secondary nursing degree** and were awarded academic credit in 2013 for coursework specific to nursing practice. To qualify for this option, the nurse must obtain an official set of transcripts from the institution prior to renewing and be able to supply it to LSBN upon request if notified later that you've been selected to be audited. Student summary print-outs obtained online are not acceptable verification. One (1) academic semester hour in a nursing course documented on an official transcript is equivalent to fifteen (15) contact hours of ANCC/BON accredited nursing continuing education for annual license renewal.
2. If you hold a certification in a nursing specialty from one of the national organizations recognized by LSBN for CEs **and** the certification was current for the full 2013 calendar year, you may utilize the certification toward your CE requirement for license renewal. If notified that you've been selected to be audited, you would submit the letter (or card) from the national organization that includes your name, certification number, nursing specialty, date certification was issued/renewed and expiration date. A list of the national nursing certifying organizations accepted is available at the LSBN website under **Education / Continuing Education / National Nursing Certification Recognized by LSBN for CEs** or click [here](#). Only the nursing certifications on this LSBN list may be utilized for license renewal in lieu of **ANCC** or **State BON** accredited contact hours.

I was previously selected for the CE audit. Can I be selected again?

Yes. Since all nurses must meet their annual mandatory CE requirements per LSBN rules prior to renewing, any nurse who has renewed his/her Louisiana license is eligible to be selected later by random audit. There is no limit to the number of times an individual can be audited for his/her CEs.





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Major Motions and Other Actions Taken at the April 17, 2013 Board Meeting

Administrative Actions

Accepted LSBN 2012 Annual Report

Approved proposed strategic plan report format

Approved the Revised LSBN Strategic Plan to include the new Strategic Priority "E" *Advance Nursing Workforce Through Research*

Education Actions

Accepted the LSBN Site Visit report on Louisiana Tech University School of Nursing Associate of Science in Nursing Degree and continued Conditional approval status to be reviewed with 2012-2013 annual report.

Accepted the LSBN Site Visit report on Northwestern State University School of Nursing Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing Degree and continued Full approval status to be reviewed annually with annual reports

Accepted the LSBN Site Visit report on Northwestern State University School of Nursing Masters of Science in Nursing Degree and continued Full approval status to be reviewed annually with annual reports

Accepted the LSBN Site Visit report on Our Lady Holy Cross College School of Nursing Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing Degree and continued Full approval status to be reviewed annually with annual reports

Accepted the LSBN Site Visit report on Louisiana State University at Alexandria School of Nursing Associate of Science in Nursing Degree and continued Full approval status to be reviewed with 2012-2013 annual report.

Accepted the LSBN Site Visit report on Fletcher Technical Community College School of Nursing Associate of Science in Nursing Degree and continued Full approval status to be reviewed with 2012-2013 annual report.

Accepted the LSBN Site Visit report on University of Louisiana Lafayette School of Nursing Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing Degree and continued Full approval status to be reviewed with 2012-2013 annual report.

Accepted the LSBN Site Visit report on Intercollegiate

Consortium for at Masters of Science in Nursing Degree at McNeese State University, Nicholls State University, Southeastern Louisiana University and University of Louisiana Lafayette and continued Full approval status to be reviewed annually with annual reports.

Granted continued approval status of Louisiana Hospital Association as an approved provider of continuing education effective April 30, 2013 through April 30, 2017.

Granted continued approval status of Dillard University School of Nursing Minority Health and Health Disparities Research Center as an approved provider of continuing education effective May 11, 2013 through May 11, 2015.

Granted continued approval status of Western Schools as an approved provider of continuing education effective February 28, 2013 through February 28, 2017.

Granted continued approval status of American Association of Critical Care Nurses as an approved provider of continuing education effective August 31, 2013, through August 31, 2017.

Granted continued approval status of Nicholls State University as an approved provider of continuing education effective August 31, 2013, through August 31, 2017.

Approved Step I and approved South Louisiana Community College to proceed to Step II of developing an Associate of Science in Nursing Degree Program.

Approved the request of the Herzing University to offer graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana for the following Specialty/Concentrations:

MSN/Family Nurse Practitioner

And that the Approval shall be effective Spring 2013-Spring 2015 contingent upon on continued adherence to and submission of required documentation regarding faculty qualifications, preceptor qualifications clinical site appropriateness and approval and student criteria as outlined in LAC 46:XVII.4509.

Adopted the proposed charge and membership for a task force for the purpose of examining and revising the Louisiana Nursing Articulation Model (2005).

Accepted the Revised LSBN Strategic plan to include the new Strategic Priority "E" with strategic objectives listed.





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Major Motions and Other Actions Taken at the June 12, 2013 Board Meeting

Practice Actions

Adopted the opinion in response to a request by Rhonda Guidry, RN, that it is not within the scope of practice for a registered nurse to perform soft chamber/mild/low pressure hyperbaric oxygen therapy.

Accepted and approved the following change to Bulletin 135 – Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators, §307: Diabetes Management and Treatment based on public comment received from the American Diabetes Association:

Change Section 307.A.6 to read:

“The parent or legal guardian shall be responsible for all care related to the student’s diabetes management and treatment plan until all authorized physicians’ orders, parent authorization, and all medical supplies deemed necessary to care for the student in the school setting have been received by the school nurse”.

Credentialing Actions

Adopted the proposed revision to the policy regarding “Advanced Practice National Certifying Organizations” approved for APRN Licensure. The policy affirms that an APRN who holds certification in a role and population that is no longer available for certification by examination and said certification lapses is not eligible for licensure or recognition in that role and population foci. Additionally, the Board will offer issuance of APRN licensure in the role of a Public/Community Health Clinical Nurse Specialist through December 31, 2014 and no longer offers APRN licensure in Advanced Oncology, Home Health, or School Nursing with exception to those licensed by meeting renewal and reinstatement requirements.

Education Actions

Accepted the report of Louisiana Tech University and restored full approval status to the Associate of Science in Nursing Degree program to be reviewed annually with annual reports.

Accepted the Interim Report from Grambling State University regarding NCLEX Pass rates.

Accepted the LSBN Site Visit report on Nicholls State University School of Nursing Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing Degree and continued Full approval status to be

reviewed annually with annual report.

Accepted the LSBN Site Visit report on Southern University Baton Rouge School of Nursing Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing Degree and continued Full approval status to be reviewed annually with annual reports.

Accepted the LSBN Site Visit report on Southern University Baton Rouge School of Nursing Masters of Science in Nursing Degree and continued Full approval status to be reviewed annually with annual reports.

Approved continual status of Regional Medical Center of Acadiana as an approved provider of continuing education effective July 13, 2013 through July 13, 2015.

Approved the request of Panola College for reapproval to offer clinical experiences in Louisiana through July 31, 2015 for Associate Degree Nursing students enrolled in:

N2261 Maternal, Newborn, Women’s Health Nursing
N2262 Mental Health Nursing considering completion of endorsement process of qualified faculty in Louisiana prior to enrollment of students in the course.

Approved the request of Pearl River Community College for reapproval to offer clinical experiences in Louisiana through July 31, 2015 for Associate Degree Nursing students enrolled in:

N2104 Women’s Health/Newborn Nursing
N2115 Care of Children
N2209- Medical Surgical Nursing
N2209- Medical Surgical Nursing Preceptor Experience

Approved the request of Southern Arkansas University for reapproval to offer clinical experiences in Louisiana through July 31, 2015 for :

Associate Degree Nursing students enrolled in:

N1208 Care of the Non-acute Individual
N1217 Women’s Health and Care of Neonate

And for Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Students enrolled in:

N3206 Nursing Care I Foundations
N4105- Introduction to Community Based Nursing
N4205 Leadership and Management
N4207- Nursing Care III- Childbearing/ Pediatrics





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Deferred action on the request of the University of South Alabama Springhill for reapproval for Graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana, and further requested University of South Alabama Springhill to appear at the August 2013 Board Meeting for clarifications of program concerns.

Requested University South Alabama Springhill to appear at the August 2013 Board Meeting for clarifications of program concerns.

Approved the request of Georgetown University for reapproval to offer Graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana through December 14, 2015 for:

Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)
Nursing Education (non APRN)

Deferred action on the request of Georgetown University until evidence of compliance with Faculty qualifications requirements of LSBN have been demonstrated for:

Certified Nurse Midwife/Woman’s Health Nurse Practitioner (CNM/WHNP) Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner / CNS (AGNP/CNS)

Deferred action on the request of Ohio University to offer Graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana until evidence of compliance with Faculty Qualification requirements of LSBN have been demonstrated for Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) and correspondence with Louisiana Schools of Nursing.

Approved the request of Alcorn State University to offer Graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana June 12, 2013 through June 12, 2015 for:

Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)
Nursing Education (non APRN)

Requested Our Lady of the Lake appear before the Board at the August 2013 meeting for clarification and discussion of the focused site visit performed by National League of Nursing Accrediting Commission.

Requested Southern University Shreveport to appear before the Board at the August 2013 meeting for clarification and discussion of the recent action and recommendations by the Southern Association of colleges and Schools/Commission on Colleges.

Requested that Louisiana College to appear before the Board at the August 2013 meeting for clarification and discussion of the recent action and recommendations

by the Southern Association of colleges and Schools/ Commission on Colleges.

Requested that Southern University Baton Rouge to appear before the Board at the August 2013 meeting for clarification and discussion of the recent action and recommendations by the Southern Association of colleges and Schools/Commission on Colleges.

Nursys e-Notify



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The National Council of State Boards of Nursing’s Nursys® is the

only national database for verification of nurse licensure, discipline and practice privileges for registered nurses (RNs) and licensed practical/vocational nurses (LPN/VNs). It is comprised of data obtained **directly** from the licensure systems of U.S. boards of nursing (BONs) through frequent, secured updates.

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2013 State Holiday Schedule

Labor Day.....	September 2
Veterans Day.....	November 11
Thanksgiving Day.....	November 28
Christmas Day.....	December 25

Future Meeting Dates

BOARD MEETING DATES

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October 9, 2013
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