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**Barbara L. Morvant, MN, RN**

## LICENSURE RENEWAL FOR 2006

**All RNs and APRNs are encouraged to renew their licenses online.**

**The expiration date for the 2005 license has been extended until March 31, 2006.**

**Renewal forms were mailed on January 30, 2006.**

The Continuing Education requirement has been waived for 2005.

**There are no late fees for license this year.**

Licensure renewal fees are \$80 for the RN license and \$80 for the APRN license.

License renewal may be done on-line at our website, [www.lsbn.state.la.us](http://www.lsbn.state.la.us).

Directions for on-line renewal:

Go the LSBN website and click on "Online Services" on the left

Click on "Nurses Account Signup"

If you previously had an account and have forgotten your password, go to Change Password and select "If you have lost your password click [here](#)"

If you have never created an on-line account, you will be able to do so using your social security number, your RN license number, and your date of birth. You will be asked to enter a password of your choosing to continue. **No pin number will be required to set-up the account.**

For those who do not renew online, hard copy renewal forms will be mailed to Louisiana registrants in early February.

## From the Executive Director: State of Affairs



Almost six months since Hurricanes Katrina and Rita and many of us continue to find our lives in disarray and uncertainty. Each day seems to bring more clarity; however the pace is slow and sometimes agonizing on the road to recovery. Stuck in a state of chaos adds to the stress of trying to service the needs of Louisiana citizens while meeting the personal needs of our families, friends and all those around us who are all dealing with the same challenges.

We know that prior to Katrina, over nine thousand (9000) registered nurses residing in the parishes of Orleans, Jefferson, Plaquemines and St. Bernard potentially had their lives uprooted over night. We know that Rita uprooted many in the southwest Louisiana area. Many of the valiant nurses manning our healthcare institutions during and after the storms were among those who experienced the greatest impact by the rising flood waters. To these remarkable individuals, we should all be thankful not only for the care and valor they bestowed, but for making us all proud to be a nurse.

In the aftermath of Katrina and Rita, we are now struggling with the potential loss of a valued resource, nurse workforce. Years of work by the Nursing Supply and Demand Commission and the Healthworks Commission, to increase the availability of qualified faculty and to increase nursing school enrollments may be potential loss in the wake of a large number of displaced registered nurses who may not be able to return in the near future. As registered nurses renew their licenses for 2006, we are beginning to see the full impact of the potential loss to our state. We are hopeful that we have retained many to other parts of our state; we know that we have already lost many primarily to neighboring states and states throughout the United States.

To our licensees that were there when the sick and infirmed needed you the most, thank you. An effort is under way by the Louisiana State Nurses Association to compile the stories for a book of registered nurses who served so valiantly and those displaced and on a new life journey. The proceeds will be distributed through the Louisiana State Nurses Association Relief Fund to help nurses in need of assistance. I would encourage you to share your experiences. There are many of us who eagerly want to hear your stories and believe that there are many lessons to be learned.

To all our displaced nurses, know that much of the recovery efforts address the critical need to regain our workforce. We are continuously reporting our data regarding the numbers of registered nurses and we will continue to participate in the discussions regarding rebuilding our registered nurse workforce. As facilities begin to reopen to meet the critical need for both hospital and nursing home beds, manpower is the primary issue. We are frequently asked what is needed in order to regain our workforce. I trust that housing and education is a key factor as it is for most of our citizens, but I would like to hear from you! What will bring you back? Send me an email, [www.morvantb@lsbn.state.la.us](mailto:www.morvantb@lsbn.state.la.us) and I will compile your answers to share with the many entities that have a stake in rebuilding New Orleans.

As for the Louisiana State Board of Nursing, almost two thirds of our staff lived in the Lakeview, Ninth Ward New Orleans and St Bernard area. We have lost approximately a third of our staff and those who remain are dealing with tremendous personal loss and long commutes to the Baton Rouge office. While we continue to recruit for unfilled positions, in the interim we are experiencing an increased demand for licensure and licensure verifications with a lot less manpower. The Baton Rouge office is not yet equipped with the telephone system and work stations needed for maximum service. I can only say that staff stays committed to trying to meet the high demand and that when problems occur we will make every attempt to accommodate the applicant or licensee.

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Lastly, I need to share that we have had a number of calls regarding the renewal fee increase and the convenience fee charged for on-line licensure renewal. The Board of Nursing first began the discussion of a renewal fee increase in January 2004. As a self-generating agency, the Board receives no state appropriations and must generate its own revenue through licensure fees. Concomitantly, the Board receives no state services; therefore, it must generate sufficient revenue for operations, as well as attorney fees, information technology and other contractual services essential to operations of the Board. Previous fee schedules predicted a period of time when the Board would spend down its reserves to meet operating expenses. It was clear to the Board that it lacked sufficient reserve funds to continue operations without a fee increase. The Board gave careful considerations to the cost of essential responsibilities of the Board, as well as licensure renewal fees of other professions in our state. The Board members considered a range of options and determined the fee thought necessary to fulfill its mission now and into the future.

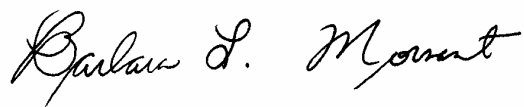
The mission of the Board is to protect the citizens of Louisiana by assuring that only qualified individuals hold themselves out and practice as a registered nurse. The state of Louisiana gives us the privilege of holding ourselves out to the public as registered nurses and to receive compensation for our services. Along with such right comes the responsibility to regulate our profession, a responsibility we all share.

I believe that the Board members are sensitive to the fact that the increase is considerably higher this year, but trust that our licensees will support the need to continue the Board's work. Self regulation is the hallmark of any profession. While I realize that some may still have questions or concerns, I would offer that if agencies or organizations would like the Board staff to come out and meet with them, we will be happy to plan such an opportunity. You may also wish to review the annual report that provides information regarding the functions of the Board. The Annual Report is published each year following renewal and is available on our website.

Many of you have expressed appreciation for the opportunity to renew on-line. Please be assured that staff is committed to providing additional services available by on-line access. Some took issues with the convenience fee charged for use of credit card payment. State law has only recently provided for state agencies to accept credit card payments; however, required the agency to charge a state fee to cover the credit card service fee. While the Board was reticent to charge such a fee, the statutory requirements are very specific and the Board had no option in moving forward with on-line renewals.

May I take this opportunity to thank all of you for the work that you do. Nurses throughout the state have been responding to the population shift within our state and certainly have been equally challenged by the disruption of the Board of Nursing office. I am continually impressed by the valuable work we as nurses do to meet the needs of so many. My very best wishes for 2006.

Sincerely,  
Barbara L. Morvant, MN, RN



New Office

**The LSBN offices will be moving permanently to Baton Rouge** by June 2008. The major activities of the Board are being conducted at the Baton Rouge office:

**Louisiana State Board of Nursing  
5207 Essen Lane, Suite 6  
Baton Rouge, LA 70809**

Major Motions of the Board Meeting—December 7, 2005

**Unfinished Business**

**Approved** proposed revisions to Rule LAC 46:XLVII.3703. Definitions of Terms Applying to Nursing Practice and 3705. Administration of Anesthetic Agents for promulgation no earlier than October 20, 2005 and no later than July 20, 2006.

**Accepted** report on Rule LAC 46:XLVII.4507. Licensure as Advanced Practice Registered Nurse as published in the June 20, 2005 Louisiana Register.

**Accepted** report on Rule LAC 46:XLVII. Chapter 45. Advanced Practice Registered Nurse as published in the August 20, 2005 Louisiana Register.

**Accepted** report on Rule LAC 46:XLVII. Chapter 34. Disciplinary Proceedings; Alternative to Disciplinary Proceedings as published in the July 20, 2005 Louisiana Register.

**Accepted** report on Rule LAC 46:XLVII.3341. Fees for Registration and Licensure as published in the August 20, 2005 Louisiana Register.

**Accepted** status report on proposed Rule LAC 46:XLVII.3333. Renewal of Licensure and 4507. Licensure as APRN.

**Administrative Issues**

**Directed** Barbara Morvant, Executive Director to publish information regarding the compact in The Examiner, in order to educate the audience served by the LSBN.

**Accepted** the Vice-President's Report and Fourth Quarter Financial Statement Report for April 1, 2005 – June 30, 2005.

**Reviewed** the Louisiana State Board of Nursing's 2005 Legislative End of Session Tracking Report Enrolled Bills.

**Approved** Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for Louisiana State Board of Nursing's Audit 2005.

**Accepted** the Vice-President's Report and First Quarter Financial Statement Report for July 1, 2005 – September 30, 2005

**Approved** proposed the 2006/2007 budget.

**Approved** draft number 1 of proposed 2006 Board meeting, committee, and settlement committee dates.

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### National Council of State Boards of Nursing to Survey RNs

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The National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) expects to begin mailing a practice analysis survey to 20,000 randomly selected RNs beginning in January 2006. The purpose of the survey is to describe the continuing practice of RNs and to address NCSBN's strategic initiative related to measuring the continuing competence of nurses.

The nursing professionals who respond to the surveys will be asked to determine the importance of each of the activities listed in the post entry-level nursing activity statements. The data collection process is anticipated to begin in January 2006. All nurses receiving the survey are strongly encouraged to complete and return it as their participation in this study offers a unique opportunity to contribute to the nursing profession.

### Major Motions of the Board Meeting—December 7, 2005

#### Credentialing Issues

**Authorized** the Credentialing Committee to fulfill the requirements of LAC 46:XLVII.4513.D.2.b.iii "controlled substances which may be prescribed by an APRN shall include Schedule III, IV and V. Schedule II shall be approved by the Board on an individual basis..." with the intent to develop guidelines for staff authority.

#### Education Issues

**Approved** the initiation of rule making for editorial changes in LAC 46:XLVII.3529.Selection and Use of Clinical Facilities, to reflect appropriate titles of approval/accreditation agencies by removing Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) and correcting title of Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations.

**Approved** the request of Southwest Community College for continued use of Lallie Kemp Medical Center, North Oaks Medical Center and Hood Memorial Hospital for student clinical teaching, and that Southwest Community College report their NCLEX-RN pass rate for the next cohort of graduates who take the examination; further, the continued use of Louisiana clinical facilities will be dependent on their

#### Education Issues (Cont...)

meeting §3523.B., *The nursing education program shall have a pass rate of 80 percent or greater achieved by the candidates taking the licensure examination for the first time in any one January to December calendar year, or the program shall be placed on conditional approval.*

Acknowledged the letter of intent from Herzing College to establish an Associate of Science in Nursing Program.

**Acknowledged** documentation of approval by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) and the Commission on the Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Education Programs (COC) for Our Lady of the Lake College to offer the Master of Anesthesia Program for Nurses.

**Acknowledged** information received relative to the prospective faculty, and advise SOWELA Technical Community College that the faculty must represent knowledge and skills in area of responsibility, LAC 46:XLVII.3515.B.6., Nurse Faculty shall maintain current knowledge and skills in areas of responsibility and provide documentation of same. Further, it is expected that faculty will represent preparation of the master's level in major nursing specialties, i.e. adult health, maternal-infant, children, and mental health.

Major Motions of the Board Meeting—December 7, 2005

Education Issues (Cont...)

**Acknowledged** receipt of a report on the employment of additional appropriately prepared faculty as recommended in the initial approval of the Associate of Science in Nursing Program at Southern University at Shreveport. The two faculty to be employed include one masters prepared in maternal-infant nursing and the other in psychiatric mental health nursing.

**Approved** request for Faculty Exceptions to Faculty Qualifications (LAC 46:XLVII.3515.B.7) of the following:

Delgado/Charity School of Nursing  
James S. Kilgour  
Debra Angelina White McMillion  
Kim Michelle Warner Gordon  
Tamla Thomas Pierre

LSU at Alexandria  
Sandra L. Duck  
Darlene Ann Dupuis Deshotels  
Sandra Jean Lovett Martin  
Laura Ann Martien Fernandez

La Tech University  
Lucy Ann Blunk Douglas

Our Lady of the Lake College  
Carmen Lynnette Solomon Brown

UL at Lafayette  
Arleen Clare Trahan Tekell  
Kimberly K. Landry

Compliance Issues

**Approved** the Criteria for Individual Treatment providers as corrected, direct staff to make editorial changes and to direct staff to approve Individual Treatment Providers in accordance with Criteria.

Nurse Practice Issues

**Approved** issuance of an opinion that it is within the scope of practice for the CRNA to perform procedures under the direction and supervision of the physician involving the injection of local anesthetics, steroids and analgesics for pain management purposes, peripheral nerve blocks, epidural injections, and spinal facet joint injections when the CRNA can document education, training and experience in performing such procedures and has the knowledge, skills, and abilities to safely perform the procedures based on an order from the physician.

**Deferred** the request for an opinion related to the RN performing ultrasound to determine fetal presentation in Labor and Delivery for the attendance of the Petitioner to the Practice Committee.

**Approved** issuance of an opinion that the RN may assist the surgeon in the Operating Room/Surgical Suite, in the closure of the skin, not to include closure beneath the skin, with a skin stapler or sutures while the surgeon is present.

**Deferred** the request for a opinion related to the administration of Natrecor in the home setting with RN supervision until the next meeting and further that staff attempt to have the petitioner appear before the board at said meeting.

**Approved** issuance of an opinion that the RN may delegate to the LPN vacuum assisted closure (VAC)/ Wound Vac dressing changes/negative pressure wound therapy in the home setting for stable wounds provided the following:

1. RN performs the initial wound assessment and determines that the wound is stable;
2. the RN performs a wound assessment at least one time per week during dressing; and
3. provided that the RN resumes wound care management immediately upon report/direct observation of wound complications such as signs and symptoms of infection, exposure of organs or other vital structures, excessive bleeding or anticoagulant therapy or other symptoms of an unstable wound.



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## Major Motions of the Board Meeting—December 7, 2005

### Nurse Practice Issues (Cont...)

Further, that the compliance with the rules on delegation LAC 46:XLVII.3703.a-c is maintained.

**Approved**, that the administration of radionuclotides, namely Cardiolite and Neurolite, which are diagnostic tracer elements used for cardiac stress testing and for focal seizure diagnosis, that the Board approves the Practice Committee recommendation that staff study such and bring back findings to the Practice Committee.

**Deferred** action on the request for an opinion relative to the Preparation Of Intravenous Fluids With Anesthetic Agent (Naropin) And Opiate Agonists (Sufenta) For Epidural Anesthesia And Assembling The Pump By Priming The Tubing With The Mixture For Administration Of The Medication By The Anesthesia Provider to the next Practice Committee meeting at the request of the petitioner.

**Approved** issuance of an opinion that the RN may delegate the administration of intramuscular (IM) Rh (D) Immune Globulin (Rhogam, Rhophylac) to the LPN after review and under the supervision of the RN.

**Approved** the issuance of an opinion that it is within the scope of practice for the RN to administer chemotherapy into the implanted hepatic arterial pump or hepatic arterial infusion (HAI) for the purpose of treating metastatic cancer of the liver provided the RN has the necessary knowledge, skills, and abilities and there are institutional policies and procedures to guide this practice.

**Approved** issuance of an opinion that a CRNA requesting to write orders for medication in relation to anesthesia care would need to be approved for prescriptive authority and have a collaborative practice agreement.

**Approved** that the previous opinion rendered May 14, 1993 on RN delegation to the LPN functions related to patient controlled analgesia (PCA), be reaffirmed.

### Nurse Practice Issues (Cont...)

In response to an opinion request regarding the RN removal of medications from the automated dispensing machine (Pyxis) to be administered by an anesthesiologist, **directed** that the Board staff issue a letter to said facility on the practice of the automated dispensing machine (Pyxis) denoting administration of medications outside of the RN's scope of practice.

**Deferred** action on the request for an opinion until the petitioner can attend the Practice Committee to clarify its use of rapid sequence intubation in setting(s) and further direct Board staff to seek a legal opinion as statutes relate to the subject matter.

### National Council of State Boards of Nursing

**Accepted** the report of the NCSBN 2005 Annual Meeting and Delegate Assembly and P. Bourgeois, President commended B. Morvant, Executive Director, for receiving the Louise McManus Award, the highest award which can be given at National Council.

### Other Issues

**Directed** staff to take the necessary steps to oppose Emergency Rule LAC 46:XLVII.1601 and 1603.

### Election of Officers

2006 Officers elected:

**Frankie Rosenthal, President**

**Deborah Olds, Vice President**

**Nora Steele, Alternate Officer**

## Nurse Practice Opinions on Website

The nurse practice opinions are now available on the website at [www.lsbn.state.la.us](http://www.lsbn.state.la.us). Click on Previous Opinions on the left side of the homepage. There is an explanatory statement and links to other documents that will be helpful for determining scope of practice and delegation issues. The Rules and Regulations (LAC 46:XLVII.3321) address Declaratory Statement/Advisory Opinions as follows:

### §3321. Declaratory Statements/Advisory Opinions of the Board

- A. The board may issue a declaratory ruling in accord with the Administrative Procedure Act. These include a declaratory statement or an advisory opinion, in the form of a ruling which has the same status as board decisions in adjudicated cases, in response to a request for clarification of the effect of rules and regulations or of R.S. 37:911 et seq. Advisory opinions as a statement of the board's ruling. They are generally rendered in cases which relate to specific situations. Declaratory statements contain the board's ruling relative to the petition, with the principles and rationale which support the ruling. Declaratory statements are generally rendered in situations which relate to widespread situations. Neither an advisory opinion nor a declaratory statement has the binding force of law, but they represent the board's expert opinion relative to the matter in question.
- B. A request for a declaratory statement or for an advisory opinion is made in the form of a petition to the board. The petition shall include at least:
  1. the name and address of the petitioner;
  2. specific reference to the statutes or rules and regulations to which the petition relates;
  3. a concise statement of the manner in which the petitioner is aggrieved by the rule or statute or by its potential application to her/him, or in which (s)he is uncertain of its effects;
  4. a statement of whether an oral hearing is desired;
  5. other information appropriate for the board's deliberation on the request.
- C. Said petition shall be considered by the board at its next regularly scheduled meeting provided that the petition has been filed at least 60 days prior to the next scheduled board meeting.
- D. The declaratory statement/advisory opinion of the board on said petition shall be in writing and mailed to petitioner at the last address furnished to the board.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:918.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Human Resources, Board of Nursing, LR 7:74 (March 1981), amended by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Nursing, LR 24:1293 (July 1998).

The Nurse Practice Opinions and Declaratory Statements have been rendered by the Board based on the specifics of each situation. The opinions may be rendered for a specific site or under specific circumstances but are helpful to review. In addition to review of previous opinions, the [RN/APRN Scope of Practice Guidelines](#) and/or [Delegation Tree: Licensed and Unlicensed Personnel](#) and [Declaratory Statements](#) are helpful in working through scope of practice and delegation issues. These documents are available from the homepage of the website. Some basic questions to answer regarding scope of practice and delegation are:

1. Does the RN possess the knowledge, skills, and abilities to safely perform the activity in question?
2. If not, what activities, policies, procedures, specific education, supervised practice, etc. would be necessary for the RN to be competent?
3. Does the literature and current research support the performance by the RN?
4. Is the RN willing to accept accountability for her actions and able to manage the consequences of the action?
5. Does the delegation in questions meet the specific rules of the Board on delegation? ([LAC 46:XLVII.3703](#))

Search the key word(s), for example, search wound to review the opinions/statements related to wound care or search for opinions rendered related to a specific site such as the home setting. Once the opinion(s) is located, click the link to review the previous opinion. Opinions are coded as they relate specifically to the licensed nurse, RN or APRN (CRNA, CNM, NP, or CNS).

If you want the Board to reconsider a previous opinion/statement rendered or to request an opinion, you may obtain the Board's form ([Petition for Declaratory Statement or Advisory Opinion on Nursing practice](#)) and process as directed on the form. When requesting an opinion, you will be asked to attend the Practice Committee to answer questions of the Board or to clarify your request.



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## Staff Vacancy Director of Education/Licensure

This highly responsible advanced level professional position requires a minimum of a masters in nursing preparation and Registered Nurse licensure. This individual is responsible and accountable for education and licensure functions:

- To ensure that programs in nursing preparing students for licensure meet the standards of the Board of Nursing
- To ensure that individuals granted a license to practice as a Registered Nurse, applicants for licensure or students enrolling in clinical nursing courses are compliant with the requirements of the Board
- Provides consultative services to schools of nursing and utilizes sound judgment to interpret and apply policies, regulations and procedures
- Provides direct supervision of Licensing Analysts and Assistants and requires management/supervision experience as well as knowledge and experience in nursing education
- Serves as Editor of the Examiner and other publications of the Board

The collection, analysis and dissemination of data relative to nursing education and licensure are inherent in this role. This is a full-time position reporting to the Executive Director through the Assistant Executive Director.

### Qualifications:

- Possess a Master's degree in Nursing, Doctorate preferred
- Administrative and nursing education experience
- Registered Nurse licensure
- Ability to communicate effectively both verbally and in writing
- Possess professional manner
- Can establish and maintain positive interpersonal relationships

Starting salary is negotiable within the civil service range of a MS 523 level and includes compensation for education and experience.

For more information, contact Cynthia Morris at (225) 763-5436 or (504) 838-5317. To apply, contact Jeanine Ennis, Human Resource Analyst, at (225) 763-5458

## Advanced Practice Rules Amended

Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (LAC 46:XLVII.Chapter 45)

Amendments of the rules were published in the Louisiana Register Vol.31, No 8, August 20; 2005. The rules are available on the LSBN website @ [www.lsbn.state.la.us](http://www.lsbn.state.la.us).

There were changes regarding nursing education and practice. Additional information was added regarding faculty qualifications, student preceptors, etc. Information regarding academic preparation for the approval for prescriptive privileges was also added. The applicant must complete 45 contact hours (3 credit hours) of education at the advanced level in both pathophysiology and pharmacology.

APRNs are now required to utilize "APRN" as the title for practice. There are no physician co-signatures required by the Board. The agency can make this determination but there must be evidence of collaboration in the documentation of care in patient records.

Full Schedule II controlled substance approval is available for those APRNs who have special circumstances. This approval is on an individual basis. The restrictions on prescribing controlled substances in the treatment of chronic and intractable pain, and obesity were continued.

Interested parties may contact Peggy Griener MPH, APRN, PNP at 225-763-3591 for clarification and/or explanation of the changes in these administrative rules.

## Agendas and Minutes on the Web

All Board and Committee agendas are on our website. Agendas are posted at least 48 hours in advance of a meeting. Previous agendas will remain posted until replaced by the current agendas. Board and Committee minutes are posted at our website approximately three (3) months following the meetings.

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To safeguard the life and health of the citizens of Louisiana by assuring persons practicing as registered nurses and advanced practice registered nurses are competent and safe.

**NCLEX-RN Pass Rate For 2005**

Performance of First Time Candidates of Nursing Education Programs in Louisiana on NCLEX-RN, regardless of where taking examination, during January 1 through December 31, 2005.

Nursing Programs	Number of Candidates	Number Passing	Percent Passing
<b>Associate Degree</b>			
Charity/Delgado	250	228	91.20
LSU Alexandria	95	90	94.74
LSU Eunice	46	45	97.83
Louisiana Tech	57	55	96.49
McNeese	13	11	84.62
Nicholls	25	24	96.00
Northwestern	97	89	91.75
Our Lady of Lake College	218	196	89.91
<b>Total</b>	<b>801</b>	<b>738</b>	<b>92.13</b>
<b>Diploma</b>			
Baton Rouge General	20	17	85.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>85.00</b>
<b>Baccalaureate</b>			
Dillard	18	14	77.78
Grambling	44	28	63.64
Louisiana College	14	13	92.86
LSU Health Sciences Center	130	123	94.62
McNeese	56	45	80.36
Nicholls	111	95	85.59
Northwestern	113	97	85.84
Our Lady Holy Cross	35	32	91.43
Southeastern	139	132	94.96
Southern	68	52	76.47
University of LA Lafayette	56	52	92.86
University of LA Monroe	73	67	91.78
William Carey – N. O.	47	26	55.32
<b>Total</b>	<b>904</b>	<b>776</b>	<b>85.84</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>1725</b>	<b>1531</b>	<b>88.75</b>

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## Compliance Issues

### Disciplinary Actions

**Adams, James Lamar** (Settlement Order)  
Reprimand issued with stipulations and fine.  
Charges: Criminal Charge of Misdemeanor

**Anadi, Ijeoma Muriel Ibe** (Consent Order)  
Reprimand issued with fine and stipulations.  
Charges: Prior criminal action; failure to disclose

**Arbuckle, Vivian Dale Tyner** (Ratified) (Consent Order)  
9/22/05 Summarily suspended license  
11/22/05 Suspension of license remains with stipulations for reinstatement to include probation for minimum of 5 years.  
Charges: Drug Use on Duty

**Arundel, Kevin Clayton** (Consent Order)  
Suspended license with stay of suspension and probated for 36 months with stipulations.  
Charges: Criminal Arrest

**Atkison, Alice Marie Williams** (Settlement Order)  
Suspension of license stayed and eligible for reinstatement with stipulations to include probation for 2 years.

**Babinski, Valentina Jude Alvarez** (Consent Order) (Applicant)  
Reprimand issued with fine and stipulations.  
Charges: Prior criminal action and failure to disclose

**Banks, Sandra Marie Morris** (Consent Order)  
Reprimand issued with stipulations and fine.  
Charges: Failure to Cooperate with the Board in a Timely Manner

**Bateman, Melanie Cherie Day** (Consent Order)  
Suspension of license continues with stipulations for reinstatement to include probation and RNP for 5 years.

**Bearden, Susan Ann Hillman** (Consent Order)  
Reprimand issued with fine and stipulation due prior to reinstatement.  
Charges: Practicing Without a License: Failure to Renew and/or Reinstatement

**Bennett, Gina Garris** (Consent Order)  
Voluntary surrender of license for minimum of 2 years with stipulations to complete prior to reinstatement.

**Besse, Micki Rose Delaune** (Consent Order) (Applicant)  
Approval granted to receive licensure with reprimand, stipulations and fine.  
Charges: Prior Criminal Action: Failure to Disclose

**Black, Kimberlee Corianne** (Ratified) (Consent Order)  
8/1/05 Suspended license due to non-compliance with Board Order.  
11/30/05 Suspension of license with stay of suspension and eligible for reinstatement with probation for 36 months with stipulations.

**Bordelon, Kellie Ann Henry** (Ratified)  
Summarily suspended license due to narcotics discrepancies.

**Brundage, Alvin Emmett** (Ratified)  
Recall of temporary permit due to criminal arrest.

**Burchfield, Suzanne Vetsch** (Consent Order)  
Suspended license for minimum 6 months with stipulations to include RNP prior to reinstatement.  
Charges: Chemical Dependency

**Burns, Holly A. Oakes** (Consent Order)  
Suspended license with stay of suspension and probation for 1 year with stipulations.  
Charges: Drug Related

**Caloian, Carl Aram Jr.** (Ratified)  
Suspended license due to non-compliance with Board Order.

**Campbell, Michelle Theresa Allen** (Settlement Order)  
Reprimand issued with stipulations and fine.  
Charges: Unprofessional Conduct: Failure to Maintain Minimum Standards

**Carter, Jean Ann Hunter** (Settlement Order)  
Suspended license with stay of suspension and probation for 2 years with stipulations.  
Charges: Failure to Maintain Minimum Standards

**Chatelain, Cindy Marie Ahle** (Consent Order)  
Suspended license with stay of suspension and probation for 18 months with stipulations.  
Charges: Unprofessional Conduct: Practicing Beyond Scope

**Chelette, Debbie Jane Merritt** (Consent Order)  
Reprimand issued with fine and stipulations.  
Charges: Failure to Comply with the Continuing Education/Nursing Practice Audit and Failure to Comply with the Requirements for Relicensure

**Chevalier, Tony Michael** (Ratified)  
Suspended license due to non-compliance with RNP.

**Comeaux, Lisa Beth Washington** (Ratified)  
Suspended license due to non-compliance with Board Order.

## Compliance Issues

### Disciplinary Actions (Cont...)

**Davis, Earline Mandigo** (Consent Order)  
Reinstated license to active status with probation for 12 months, stipulations.

**Davis, William Charles** (Consent Order) (Student)  
Approval granted to enter clinical nursing courses with probation and stipulations.  
Charges: Criminal Charge: Possession of Marijuana

**Doucet, Brandi Michelle Godeaux** (Consent Order) (Applicant)  
Approval granted to take NCLEX-RN, to be issued a work permit and licensure with reprimand, stipulations and fine.  
Charges: Prior Criminal Action; Failure to Disclose

**Easlic, Gary Wayne**  
Suspended license with stipulations for reinstatement to include fine and probation for 1 year.  
Charges: Positive Urine Drug Screens

**Eddy, Natalie Dawn Thornhill** (Consent Order)  
Reprimand issued with stipulations and fine.  
Charges: Criminal Arrest: Failure to Utilize Appropriate Judgment

**Euchaski, Lisa Renee** (Ratified) (Consent Order)  
8/11/05 Summarily suspended license  
8/22/05 Suspension of license remains with stipulations for reinstatement to include probation minimum 3 years.  
Charges: Drug Related: Narcotics Discrepancies

**Farish, Cynthia May Maddox** (Consent Order)  
Reinstated license to active status with probation for minimum 4 years with stipulations.

**Flowers, Georgia Theresa Martin** (Ratified)  
Suspended license based on action in other jurisdiction

**Fontenot, Lesbay Curt** (Ratified)  
9/17/05 Summarily suspended license due to criminal arrests.  
12/7/05 Continuance granted.

**Foster, Raquel Loretta** (Consent Order) (Applicant)  
Approval granted for NCLEX-RN, to be issued a work permit, and to receive licensure upon successful passing of NCLEX with reprimand, stipulations and fine.  
Charges: Prior Criminal Action: Failure to Disclose

**Fowler III, Charles Lelsie** (Consent Order) (Applicant)  
Approval granted to take NCLEX-RN, to be issued a work permit and licensure with reprimand, stipulations and fine.  
Charges: Prior Criminal Action; Failure to Disclose.

**Gaconi, Deana Jo Todaro** (Ratified)  
Suspended license due to non-compliance with RNP.

**Gamble, Tammy Rankin** (Consent Order) (Student)  
Approval granted to enter/progress to the next clinical nursing course with stipulations  
Charges: Prior Criminal Arrest.

**Garrison, Charles Francois** (Consent Order) (Student)  
Approval granted to enter in clinical nursing courses with reprimand, stipulations and fine.  
Charges: Prior Criminal Action; Failure to Disclose.

**Gaspard, Robert Newton** (Ratified)  
Suspended license based on action in other jurisdiction.

**Gillison, Nicole Simone** (Ratified) (Student)  
Denied approval to enroll in clinical nursing courses due to criminal conviction.

**Gipson, Bobby Ralph** (Ratified)  
10/6/05 Summarily suspended license.  
12/7/05 Suspension of license continues with stipulations for reinstatement to include fine and 3 year probation.  
Charges: Positive Urine Drug Screens.

**Gobert, Alex Wade** (Consent Order)  
Reinstated license with probation and RNP for a minimum of 5 years with stipulations.

**Graham, Melissa Ann** (Consent Order) (Student)  
Approval granted to enter clinical nursing courses with probation and stipulations.  
Charges: Criminal Arrest; Drug Related.

**Grant, Iesha Ishea** (Consent Order)  
Reprimand issued with stipulations and fine.  
Charges: Failure to Comply with the Continuing Education/Nursing Practice Audit (2003) and Failure to Comply with the Requirements for Relicensure (2004).

**Gray, Shervon Shevette** (Consent Order) (Applicant)  
Approval granted to take NCLEX-RN, to be issued a work permit and licensure with reprimand, stipulations and fine.  
Charges: Prior Criminal Action; Failure to Disclose.

**Hagen, John Alan** (Ratified) (Student)  
08/11/05 Suspended approval to continue in clinical nursing courses due to non-compliance with Board Order.  
08/24/05 Reinstated approval to continue in clinical nursing courses with stipulations.

**Hanner, Tammy Jean Cannon** (Ratified)  
9/30/05 Summarily suspended license  
12/7/05 Suspension of license continues with stipulations for reinstatement to include fine and 1 year probation.  
Charges: Failure to Maintain Minimum Standards; Refusal to Submit to Urine Drug Screens

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## Compliance Issues

### Disciplinary Actions (Cont...)

**Hardy, Marguerite Catherine**  
(Consent Order)

Reprimand issued with stipulations and fine.

Charges: Criminal Action; Failure to Disclose

**Hardy, Sonya Lane** (Consent Order)

Suspended license with stay of suspension and probated for 36 months with stipulations.

Charges: Drug Related: Other

**Harris-Alexander, Lois Marie**

(Consent Order) (Applicant)

Approval granted to take NCLEX-RN with reprimand, stipulations and fine.

Charges: Failure to Disclose previous criminal arrests

**Harris-Williams, Catherine Nicole**

(Consent Order) (Student)

Approval granted to continue in clinical nursing courses with reprimand, stipulations and fine.

Charges: Prior Criminal Action; Failure to Disclose

**Hebert, Robert Bradley** (Consent Order) (Student)

Approval granted to continue in clinical nursing courses with reprimand, stipulations and fine.

Charges: Prior Criminal Action; Failure to Disclose

**Hefner, Elizabeth Frances Sandifer**  
(Ratified)

Suspended license due to non-compliance with RNP.

**Henson, Vicki Teresa Mecham**

(Ratified)

Suspended license due to non-compliance with RNP.

**Hinson, Susan Carol Reeves**

(Ratified)

Suspended license due to non-compliance with RNP.

**Hoffmann, Karen Theresa** (Consent Order)

Reinstated license to active status with probation for minimum 5 years with stipulations.

**Hollingsworth, Cynthia Lynn**

(Consent Order)

Suspended license with stay of suspension and probated for a minimum of 1 year with stipulations.

Charges: Failure to Practice Nursing in Accordance with the Legal Standards of Nursing Practice; Inappropriate, Incomplete or Improper Documentation

**Hose, Jo Ann McAlister** (Ratified)

Suspended license for minimum 2 years due to non-compliance with Board Order.

**Hughes, Thomas D.** (Consent Order)

Reprimand issued with fine.

Charges: Failure to Comply with the Continuing Education/Nurse Practice Audit and Failure to Comply with the Requirements for Relicensure

**Humble, Stephen Ray** (Consent Order)

Reinstated license to active status with probation for minimum five (5) years probation with stipulations.

**Ieyoub, Sandra Clare Bates**  
(Ratified)

Suspended license due to non-compliance with RNP.

**Irle, Shawn Bryan** (Ratified)

Suspended license based on action in other jurisdiction.

**Jinks, Jackson Douglas** (Consent Order)

Reinstated license to active status with minimum 5 year probation to include RNP minimum 5 years with stipulations.

**Johnson, Martha Aline McLelland**  
(Consent Order)

Suspension of license stayed and eligible for reinstatement with probation for minimum of 12 months.

**Johnson, Michael Delon** (Consent Order)

Suspended license with stipulations for reinstatement to include probation for 24 months.

Charges: Drug Related: Narcotic Discrepancies

**Joseph, Penny L. Pense** (Student)  
(Consent Order)

Denied approval to enter or progress in clinical nursing courses with stipulations.

Charges: Criminal Convictions, Alcohol and Drug Related Arrests

**Kellogg, Lisa Nicole** (Consent Order)  
(Student)

Delayed approval to enter into clinical nursing courses with stipulations.

Charges: Prior Criminal Action

**Korman, Michael Blake** (Consent Order)

Reprimand issued with stipulations to be completed within a minimum of 12 months.

Charges: Leaving a Nursing Assignment without Notifying a Supervisor

### Recovering Nurse Program

For information about the RNP, visit the website at <http://www.lsbn.state.la.us/Documents/rnp.asp>.

## Compliance Issues

### Disciplinary Actions (Cont...)

**La Cour, Bonnie Elaine Smith**  
(Consent Order)

Reprimand issued with stipulations and fine.

Charges: Practicing Without a License: Failure to Renew

**Lathers, Karen Janette** (Ratified)  
Applicant)

Denied licensure by examination based upon criminal conviction.

**Lawley, Terry Wayne** (Consent Order)

Reprimand issued with fine.

Charges: Failure to Comply with the Continuing Education/Nursing Practice Audit and Failure to Comply with the Requirements for Relicensure

**Lawrence, Amy Michelle Hagan**  
(Ratified)

Suspended license due to non-compliance with Board Order.

**Lawson, Bambi Lee** (Ratified)  
(Consent Order)

8/16/05 Summarily suspended license.

10/3/05 Suspension of license continues with stipulations for reinstatement to include probation for minimum 3 years.

Charges: Drug Related: Drug Diversion-Self

**Leader, Luke Anthony** (Ratified)

Suspended license due to non-compliance with Board Order.

**Leblanc, Kerrie Lynn Cadzow**  
(Ratified)

Suspended license due to non-compliance with RNP.

**Le Leux, Pamela Elisabeth Zaunbrecher** (Consent Order)

Reprimand issued with stipulations and fine.

Charges: Practicing Without a License: Failure to Renew.

**Lemaire, Heather Leigh** (Ratified)

Suspended license due to non-compliance with Board Order.

**Leslie, Linda Gail Etcheson** (Consent Order)

Suspended license with stay with stay of suspension and probated for a minimum of 2 years with stipulations and fine.

Charges: Narcotic Discrepancies in Documentation

**Lewis, William Abbott** (Ratified)

Suspended license for minimum 6 months due to non-compliance with Board Order.

**Lueg, Mark Christian** (Consent Order)

Reinstated license to active status and probation minimum 3 years with stipulations.

**Lux, Gregory Brandon** (Consent Order)

Suspended license with stay of suspension and probation minimum 8 months with stipulations.

Charges: Criminal Arrest: Drug Related

**Lyons, Rachel Denise** (Consent Order)

Suspended license with stay of suspension and probation minimum 12 months with stipulations.

Charges: Criminal Arrest

**Maraffi, Charlene K.** (Consent Order)

Suspended license with stay of suspension and probation minimum 2 years with stipulations and fine.

Charges: Failure to Comply with Board Order.

**Marshall, Elizabeth Lyle Craig**  
(Ratified)

8/9/05 Summarily suspended license based on criminal arrest.

12/7/05 Continuance granted.

**Martin, Clement Michael** (Ratified)

Suspended license due to non-compliance with RNP.

**Mason, Timothy John** (Consent Order)

Suspended license with stay of suspension and probation for a minimum of 12 month with stipulations.

Charges: Misconduct

**Matherne, Ricky Joseph** (Consent Order)

Suspended license with stipulations for reinstatement.

Charge: Documentation Discrepancies

**May, Amanda Lynn** (Ratified)

Suspended license due to action in another jurisdiction.

**McCoy, Mauregretta Slayton**  
(Ratified)

Suspended license due to non-compliance with Board Order.

**McCracken, Joshua Shawn** (Consent Order) (Ratified)

07/07/05 Suspended license with stay of suspension, and probated license minimum 1 year with stipulations.

08/11/05 Suspended license due to non-compliance with Board Order.

Charges: Criminal Conviction: Alcohol Related

**McCracking, John Elton** (Consent Order)

Denied application for licensure by endorsement.

Charges: Past Criminal Action

**McInnis, Jeremy Albert** (Settlement Order)

Denied approval to enter into clinical nursing courses with stipulations.

Charges: Prior Criminal Arrests

**McIntyre, Rita Ann Crain** (Consent Order)

Suspended license with stay of suspension and probation for minimum 2 years with stipulations.

Charges: Positive Urine Drug Screen



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### Disciplinary Actions (Cont...)

**McKay, Wendy Daniele** (Ratified)  
Suspended license due to non-compliance with Board Order.

**Mehal, Derrick Anthony** (Consent Order) (Student)  
Approval granted to enter, advance or continue in clinicals delayed with stipulations for approval to include probation for a minimum of 2 years with stipulations.  
Charges: Alcohol Abuse

**Merritt Melody Ann Wilson** (Consent Order)  
Reprimand issued with stipulations and fine.  
Charges: Practicing Beyond the Scope of Nursing

**Miller, Jane Elizabeth** (Ratified)  
Delayed licensure by reinstatement pending clearance of action in other jurisdiction.

**Mirabile, Julia Marie Carol** (Ratified) (Student)  
Delayed approval to progress in clinicals until all pending criminal charges are resolved.

**Moon, Julie Ann Capers** (Consent Order)  
Suspended license with stay of suspension and probation for minimum 24 months with stipulations.  
Charges: Drug Related: Positive Drug Screen

**Morales, Billy Franklin** (Student) (Consent Order)  
Approval granted to enter into clinical nursing courses with reprimand, stipulations and fine.  
Charges: Prior Criminal Action: Failure to Disclose

**Naugle, Debbie Marie Schnitzler** (Ratified)  
Suspended license due to non-compliance with RNP.

**Norris, Era Vivian Alsup** (Ratified)  
Suspended license due to non-compliance with RNP.

**Perrett, John Francis** (Ratified) (Consent Order) (Student)  
07/08/05 Suspended approval to continue or enter in clinical nursing courses due to non-compliance with Board  
08/11/05 Reinstated and granted approval to enter, advance or continue in clinical nursing courses with probation for a minimum of 1 year with stipulations.

**Piper, Christopher Sean** (Ratified)  
Suspended license due to non-compliance with Board Order.

**Randall, Michael Stephen** (Consent Order)  
Voluntary surrender of license for minimum of 2 years with stipulations to complete prior to reinstatement.

**Rapp, Gina Drago** (Consent Order)  
Reprimand issued with fine.  
Charges: Failure to Comply with the Continuing Education/Nursing Practice Audit and Failure to Comply with the Requirements for Relicensure

**Rase, Noreen Marie** (Consent Order)  
Reprimand issued with fine.  
Charges: Failure to Comply with the Continuing Education/Nursing Practice Audit and Failure to Comply with the Requirements for Relicensure

**Redondo, Richie Reed** (Ratified) (Consent Order)  
6/30/05 Summarily suspended license  
11/10/05 Suspension remains with stipulations for reinstatement to include probation for a minimum of 3 years.  
Charges: Drug Diversion and Theft

**Reed, Ashley Suzanne** (Ratified) (Consent Order)  
8/24/05 Summarily suspended license.  
12/5/05 Suspension remains with stipulations for reinstatement to include 2 year probation.  
Charges: Drug Related: Failure to complete drug screen

**Reed, Kathleen Marie** (Consent Order)  
Suspended license with stay of suspension and probation for minimum 3 years with stipulations.  
Charges: Positive Urine Drug Screen and Failure to Follow Orders

**Riedinger, Robin Renae** (Ratified)  
Suspended license due to non-compliance with Board Order.

**Schultheis, Eva Jeannine Meadows** (Consent Order) (Student)  
Approval granted to enter clinical nursing courses with probation and stipulations.  
Charges: Prior Disciplinary Action for Substance Abuse

**Sevin, Jessica Marie McIntyre** (Settlement Order)  
Reprimand issued with stipulations.  
Charges: Other, Alcohol Related

**Sharp, Andrew Gray** (Ratified)  
Suspended license due to action taken in another jurisdiction.

**Simmons, Catherine Edna** (Consent Order)  
Reinstated license to active status with minimum five (5) years probation and stipulations.

**Slaton, Dusty Lee Gaspar** (Consent Order) (Student)  
Approval granted to continue in clinical nursing courses with reprimand, stipulations and fine.  
Charges: Prior Criminal Charge; Failure to Disclose

## Compliance Issues

### Disciplinary Actions (Cont...)

**Sostarics, Maria Flores Grieselda** (Settlement Order)  
Reprimand issued with stipulations.  
Charges: Failure to Use Appropriate Judgment.

**Stanford, Brenda Kay Lafleur** (Consent Order)  
Reprimand issued with stipulations and fine.  
Charges: Failure to Practice Nursing in Accordance with the Legal Standards of Nursing Practice: Improper Assessments.

**Stevens, Jason Michael** (Ratified) (Consent Order)  
06/21/05 Summarily suspended license  
08/11/05 Suspension remains with stipulations for reinstatement to include probation for a minimum of 3 years.  
Charges: Drug Related: Narcotic discrepancies

**Stringer, Susan Renee** (Ratified) (Consent Order) (Student)  
6/6/05 Delayed approval to enter clinical nursing courses with stipulations.  
7/20/05 Delayed approval continued with stipulations.  
Charges: Alcohol Abuse

**Sudan, Jeanette Elizabeth** (Consent Order)  
Reprimand issued with stipulations and fine.  
Charges: Misconduct: False Documentation/Failure to Meet Minimum Standards

**Tatum, Shelley Griffith** (Consent Order)  
Reprimand issued with fine.  
Charges: Failure to Comply with the Continuing Education/Nursing Practice Audit and Failure to Comply with the Requirements for Relicensure

**Taylor, Kathy Denise Smith** (Consent Order)  
Reprimand issued with stipulations and fine.  
Charges: Criminal Arrest

**Temes, Stephen Scott** (Consent Order)  
Eligible for reinstatement with stipulations; after approval, shall be issued a suspended license with stay of suspension and probation for 3 years with stipulations.

**Trickett, Robert Michael** (Ratified)  
Suspended license due to non-compliance with Board Order.

**Tullier, Dixie Lynn** (Consent Order)  
Reinstated license to active status with probation for a minimum of five (5) years with stipulations.

**Turner, Mary Breaux** (Consent Order)  
Reinstated license to active status with probation for a minimum of five (5) years with stipulations.

**Vaughn, Dedra Danette** (Student) (Settlement Order)  
Approval granted to enter into the next clinical nursing course with probation and stipulations.  
Charges: Prior Criminal Conviction

**Vidrine, Alma Rutledge** (Settlement Order)  
Suspension of license stayed, eligible for reinstatement with probation for minimum 36 months with stipulations.

**Vidrine, Cicely Shawn Stelly** (Ratified) (Consent Order)  
10/6/05 Summarily suspended license.  
11/18/05 Suspension of license remains with stipulations for reinstatement to include probation for minimum 2 years.  
Charges: Criminal Arrest: Drug Related

**Villemarette, Jason Paul** (Consent Order) (Student)  
Delayed approval to enter, advance or continue in clinicals with stipulations to include probation.  
Charges: Previous Criminal Arrests

**Walpool, Felicia Renee** (Ratified) (Student)  
Denied approval to continue in clinical nursing courses due to non-compliance with Board Order.

**Ward, Peggy Tricia Byrd** (Ratified) (Student)  
Delayed approval to enter or progress in clinical nursing courses until disciplinary action has been cleared with the LPN Board.

**Wesley, Leondra Marie** (Ratified) (Consent Order)  
9/29/05 Summarily suspended license.  
11/01/05 Suspension remains with stipulations for reinstatement to include probation for minimum of 2 years.  
Charges: Failure to maintain minimum standards; Drug related: Failure to submit to drug screen.

**West, Virginia Earlene Redden** (Consent Order) (Student)  
Approval granted for clinical nursing courses with reprimand, stipulations and fines.  
Charges: Prior Criminal Action; Failure to Disclose

**Whatley, Charlene Anne Loo** (Consent Order)  
Reprimand issued with stipulations and fine.  
Charges: Documentation errors; unprofessional conduct; exceeds professional boundaries.

**White, Lonnie Jr.**  
Delayed the right to practice as a student nurse with stipulations to include RNP for minimum 2 years.

**Whittington, Robin Gay Horton** (Consent Order)  
Suspended license with stay of suspension and probated for 24 months with stipulations.  
Charges: Criminal Arrest: DWI

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## Board Meeting Dates

Board meeting and the bi-annual meeting of the Advisory Council will held on the following dates:

### Closed Board Meetings

March 6-7, 2006  
June 12-13, 2006  
September 11-12, 2006  
December 4-5, 2006

### Open Board Meetings

March 8, 2006  
June 14, 2006  
September 13, 2006  
December 6, 2006

### Advisory Council

March 6, 2006  
September 11, 2006

## A Multidisciplinary Continuing Education Conference

### Weathering the Storms

**Date:** March 17, 2006  
**Time:** 8:30 -4:00  
**Place:** East Jefferson General Hospital  
Conference Center  
4200 Houma Blvd.  
Metairie, LA 70002

#### Goals of the conference

1. To celebrate the heroic actions of health care providers in Louisiana during the crises of Katrina and Rita.
2. To look ahead at specific issues to improve care for maternal and child health patients during future crises.

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## 2006 State Holidays

**Good Friday** (statute)  
Friday, April 14, 2006

**Memorial Day** (by proclamation)  
Monday, May 29, 2006 \*

**Independence Day** (statute)  
Tuesday, July 4, 2006

**Labor Day** (statute)  
Monday, September 4, 2006

**Veteran's Day** (statute)  
Friday, November 10, 2006

**Thanksgiving Day** (statute)  
Thursday, November 23, 2006

**Acadian Day** (by proclamation)  
Friday, November 24, 2006 \*

**Christmas Day** (statute)  
Monday, December 25, 2006

**New Year's Day** (statute)  
Monday, January 1, 2007

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