



Creating Opportunities for *Nursing Education*

Statewide Collaboration

- The New Mexico Nursing Education Consortium (NMNEC=Nem-Neck) was developed in 2009 as a collaborative of *every* state-funded nursing program across the state
- The consortium created a common statewide prelicensure curriculum in nursing that paves the way for seamless transfer of nursing credits
- This provides a direct path for students to complete an associate's degree (ADN) or bachelor's degree (BSN) in nursing through their hometown community college *or* their local university

Common Statewide Curriculum

- Participating NMNEC nursing programs (listed below) are all teaching the "NMNEC Common Curriculum." This is a concept-based curriculum producing nurses who are patient-centered, who think critically, and are able to recognize the needs of patients
- A conceptually-based curriculum promotes students' understanding and application of health/illness and professional nursing concepts in the provision of nursing care

Three Degree Options in the NMNEC Curriculum

- An Associate Degree in Nursing, an ADN at a community college
- A Bachelor of Science in Nursing, a BSN at a university
- The third option is a Dual Degree: This is where the student earns an ADN & BSN at a community college in partnership with a university. These co-enrolled students receive their ADN *and* BSN upon graduation

Other Undergraduate Nursing Degrees

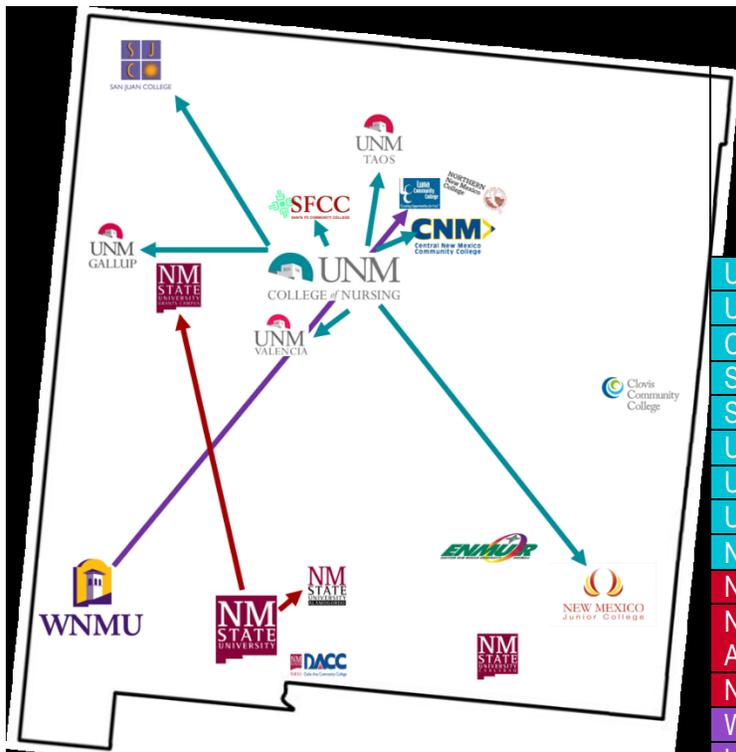
- NMNEC has also developed a Task Force that is reviewing LPN curriculums across the state to develop a seamless pathway into the NMNEC Curriculum providing credit for prior learning
- NMNEC is also developing a seamless pathway from the NMNEC ADN into the RN-to-BSN programs without the need for repeated courses

Statewide Access to BSN Education

- Three years ago, the pre-licensure BSN was offered in two state-funded schools: UNM and NMSU
- Today the NMNEC common statewide Curriculum is offered in fifteen schools (2018), of which, fourteen offer the BSN degree option and nine offer the ADN option

Opportunities/Outcomes

- The opportunity to enroll in a pre-licensure ADN or BSN program is available in all four quadrants of the state
- Students who receive their nursing degree "close to home" most often secure employment in their home communities
- There is significant tuition savings (average of 50%) for Dual Degree students receiving their BSN education at a community college in partnership with a university
- The diversity of the nursing student population is changing to better represent the minority-majority composition of New Mexico



NMNEC Nursing Programs	Locations	ADN at Community College	BSN at University	Dual Degree: ADN/BSN at Community College
UNM	Albuquerque		X	
UNM	Rio Rancho		X	
CNM	Albuquerque	X		X
SJC	Farmington	X		X
SFCC	Santa Fe	X		X
UNM-Taos	Taos	X		X
UNM-Gallup	Gallup	X		X
UNM-Valencia	Los Lunas	X		X
NMJC	Hobbs	X		X
NMSU	Las Cruces		X	
NMSU-Alamogordo	Alamogordo		X	
NMSU-Grants	Grants		X	
WNMU	Silver City		X	
LCC	Las Vegas	X		X
CCC	Clovis	X		

BSN Partnerships: Turquoise = UNM ♦ Maroon = NMSU ♦ Purple = WNMU

Leadership:

NMNEC is managed by a Leadership Council of nine members who represent ADN, BSN, RN-to-BSN programs, and Nursing Employers across the state. They meet every-other week throughout the year to further the work of NMNEC through a collaborative effort of communication, cooperation, and guidance. The collaboration is further supported by six committees/task forces who meet throughout the year concentrating on the statewide initiative.

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Primary Source of Information: www.nmneec.org

The NMNEC website is the primary source of information regarding the statewide initiative. It provides information for students, faculty, advisors, employers, the general public, and other states wishing to follow our lead.

Additional Resources from the NMNEC website:

- [Implementation Guide: Implementing the NMNEC Curriculum & Building BSN Partnerships](#)
- [Creating Opportunities for Nursing Education - flier](#)
- [What is NMNEC? 2018 Update PowerPoint Presentation with Narrative](#)
- [NMNEC by the Numbers - flier](#)