



THE VALUE & NEED FOR NMNEC

New Mexico Nursing Education Consortium

1. Consortium = every state-funded nursing education program in New Mexico
2. Providing a coordinated statewide system of nursing education
3. Building multiple pathways into nursing education
4. Implementing/Maintaining Statewide Prelicensure Nursing Curriculum
5. Increasing BSN-prepared Nursing Workforce

VALUE OF STATEWIDE PRELICENSURE NURSING CURRICULUM TO EMPLOYERS

- Standardized/Common ADN & BSN Curriculum throughout New Mexico
Employers recognize the academic training of this “product”
Statewide curriculum taught in 13 BSN programs and in 9 ADN programs
- Concept-based trained ADN and BSN nurses
Nurses who understand and apply professional nursing and health/illness concepts in the provision of nursing care
Nurses who think critically and are able to recognize the needs of patients
- ADN-prepared nurses are trained at the BSN level
ADN degree option is embedded within the BSN degree option
ADN and BSN students sit side-by-side in the majority of their coursework
ADN coursework is based on the BSN essentials
- Students seek employment where they train

VALUE OF BSN-PREPARED NURSES TO EMPLOYERS

- Increased number of BSN-prepared nurses
BSN degree offered in 13 programs
- BSN workforce provides better outcomes for patients
- Achieve BSN standard to obtain Magnet status or Malcom Baldrige Quality Award
- BSN-prepared provides pathway to management and advanced practice
- BSN provides pathway for MSN & DNP meeting healthcare shortage
- Hiring BSN-prepared nurses greatly reduces tuition support

NMNEC Nursing Programs	Locations	ADN at Community College	BSN at University	Dual Degree: ADN & BSN at Community College
UNM	Albuquerque		X	
UNM-West	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 F-19
CCC	Clovis	X		

Turquoise = UNM ♦ Maroon = NMSU ♦ Purple = WNMU

FUNDING NMNEC - \$300,000 annual

Why does the need exist?

- Provide oversight and management of the coordinated system
- Provide managerial staff enabling the consortium to function as a coordinated system
Provide coordination and logistics for six statewide committees and two annual statewide meetings
Provide ongoing faculty training for the concept-based statewide curriculum
Provide programmatic evaluation of the statewide curriculum
Provide ongoing review of the statewide curriculum to respond to the changing healthcare industry
- Continue to increase the number of BSN-prepared nurses
- Continue the synergy of the Consortium: produce a greater combined effect

Could the NMNEC nursing programs provide this financial support?

- Current financial budgets for each program are dedicated to producing graduates
Additional funding is not available to financially support the coordinated system
Grant funds have supported this effort throughout the past and have been exhausted
Adding student fees has been explored but is seen as an objectionable means to fund the consortium
Legislative support has been sought unsuccessfully for the past four years

What is included in the \$300,000 budget?

- 3.5 FTEs: Consortium Manager, Nurse Educator, Administrative Assist, Data Entry/Analysis
- Operating expenses (supplies, website, marketing)
- Statewide meetings
- Faculty Development/Training