

Outcomes of Academic Progression in Nursing: New Mexico Nursing Education Consortium (NMNEC) **University/Community College Partnerships**



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Introduction:

The IOM Report, "The Future of Nursing: Leading Change, Advancing Health" issued a call to action to increase the proportion of nurses with baccalaureate degrees to 80% by 2020. New Mexico is successfully working toward this recommendation through two primary goals.

Primary Goals:

- 1. Implement a common nursing curriculum in associate (ADN) and baccalaureate (BSN-Pre-Licensure) programs
- 2. Build partnerships between Universities and Community Colleges to offer the Pre-Licensure BSN on their campuses

Growth:

2013: Pre-Licensure BSN offered in two state-funded schools = 403 BSN students 2017: Pre-Licensure BSN offered in ten state-funded schools = 2027 students 2018 Three more will offer the Pre-Licensure BSN in THIRTEEN LOCATIONS! = 2072 students

Increased Access to the Pre-Licensure BSN degree Increased BSN-prepared nurses in rural communities

Outcomes: Increased BSN-prepared nursing workforce Increased Diversity of BSN-prepared nursing workforce

Co-Enrollment:

Pre-Licensure BSN students based at a community college or branch campus are co-enrolled with a partnering university. Upon graduation, they receive their ADN degree from their community college and their BSN from the partnering university.

This co-enrolled option provides:

- Lower tuition
- Ability to stay in your home community
- Increased opportunity for hometown employment

NCLEX Pass Rates:

NCSBN created a second testing code for co-enrolled students. Pass rates dipped in some schools with new curriculum the first year. Overall, first attempt pass rates are above 80% and 100% for the second.

University BSN Partnerships with Community Colleges

- University of New Mexico (turquoise lines)
- **New Mexico State University (maroon lines)**
- Western New Mexico University (purple lines) dotted line = future thin line = limited





