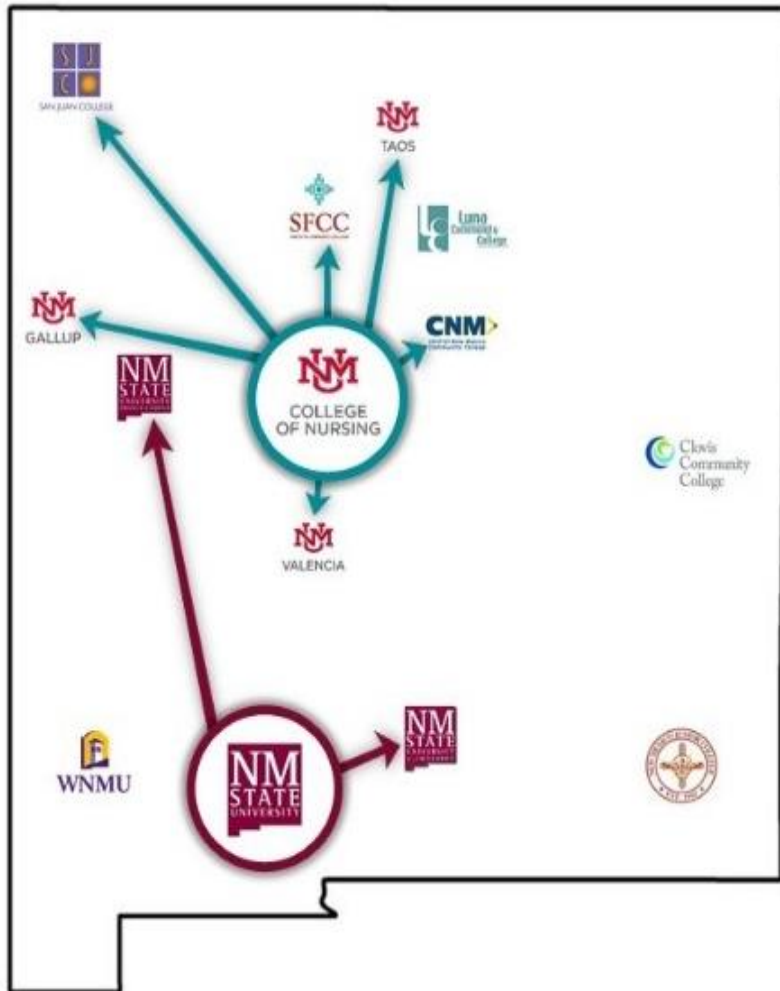


Creating Opportunities for *Nursing Education*



Statewide Collaboration

The New Mexico Nursing Education Consortium (NMNEC/nem-nek) was developed in 2009 as a collaborative of state- or tribal funded nursing programs across the state. The consortium has brought stability and quality to the nursing workforce supply through:

- Implementation of a statewide common pre-licensure nursing curriculum
- Building nursing education partnerships between universities and community colleges
- Developing multiple coordinated pathways into nursing education

Common Statewide Curriculum

Participating NMNEC nursing programs (listed at end) are all teaching the NMNEC common statewide pre-licensure RN nursing curriculum (ADN and BSN). This is a concept-based curriculum producing nurses who are patient-centered, are able to think critically, and are able to exercise clinical judgment. A conceptually-based curriculum promotes students' understanding and application of health care participant, health/illness, and professional nursing concepts in the provision of nursing care.

Degree Options in the NMNEC Curriculum

- ADN at a community college
- BSN at a university
- Dual Degree/Co-Enrolled: ADN/BSN at a community college in partnership with a university
 - Universities and Community Colleges have built partnerships to enable co-enrolled students the opportunity to receive their ADN **and** BSN upon graduation
- LPN Pathways: New Mexico LPNs may enter the NMNEC ADN Curriculum in term two after meeting defined criteria or NMNEC nursing students at NMJC have the option of obtaining an LPN while in their pre-licensure RN program
- RN-to-BSN Pathway: ADN-prepared NMNEC RNs may continue their education and pursue their BSN with participating New Mexico RN-to-BSN online programs without duplication of coursework

NMNEC Nursing Programs	Locations	ADN at Community College	BSN at University	Dual Degree: ADN/BSN at Community College
UNM	Albuquerque		X	
UNM-HSC-RR	Rio Rancho		X	
CNM	Albuquerque	X		X
CNM-RR	Rio Rancho	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
NMSU	Las Cruces		X	
NMSU-Alamogordo	Alamogordo		X	
NMSU-Grants	Grants		X	
CCC	Clovis	X		
LCC	Las Vegas	X		
NMJC	Hobbs	X		
WNMU	Silver City		X	
University-Community College BSN Partnerships Turquoise = UNM ♦ Maroon = NMSU				

Opportunities/Outcomes

- Access and 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
- Significant tuition savings to obtain a BSN (average of 50%) for Dual Degree students receiving their BSN education at a community college in partnership with a university
- Employers have a great sense of the preparation of NMNEC graduates throughout the state