

# Joint Committee on Pandemic Relief Fund HHS Working Group

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# Oklahoma Pre-licensure Nursing Education Programs for Registered Nurses

- **Baccalaureate Degree Programs**
  - 15 programs (8 public, 7 private)
  - 30 campuses
  - Clinical hours 528 – 1,044
  - Student average age – 25.3 years
- **Associate Degree Programs**
  - 14 programs (14 public)
  - 26 campuses
  - Clinical hours 336 – 748
  - Student average age – 27.9 years



# Registered Nurse Nursing Education Programs

- Baccalaureate Degree

- College or university nursing education programs shall have a minimum of 2 academic years with at least 60 semester hours and a plurality of the hours in the nursing major not to exceed **10 semesters** for full-time study, including nursing education pre-requisites.

- Associate Degree

- College or university nursing education programs shall have a minimum of 2 academic years with at least 60 semester hours and a plurality of the hours in the nursing major not to exceed **5 semesters** for full-time study, including nursing education pre-requisites.



# Applications/Admissions to Oklahoma Nursing Education Programs FY 2021

[\*Students may apply to more than one program]

- **Baccalaureate Degree Programs**
  - FY 2019 = \*2,484/1,213
  - FY 2020 = \*2,859/1,236
  - FY 2021 = \*3,417/1,247
- **Associate Degree Programs**
  - FY 2019 = \*3,750/2,077
  - FY 2020 = \*3,120/1,965
  - FY 2021 = \*3,428/1,650



# Graduates from Oklahoma Nursing Education Programs

- Baccalaureate Degree Programs

- FY 2019 = 834
- FY 2020 = 859
- FY 2021 = 871

- Associate Degree Programs

- FY 2019 = 1,217
- FY 2020 = 1,294
- FY 2021 = 1,323



# Mean Completion Rates of Nursing Education Programs

- Baccalaureate Degree Programs

- FY 2019 = 86.7%
- FY 2020 = 90.3%
- FY 2021 = 87.0%

- Associate Degree Programs

- FY 2019 = 80.6%
- FY 2020 = 82.4%
- FY 2021 = 81.5%



# Nursing Education Program Faculty Leading to Registered Nurse Licensure

- Faculty Requirements

- Master's or higher degree in nursing, or
- A Baccalaureate degree in nursing plus evidence of continued progress toward a Master's or higher degree in nursing with completion of a minimum of six (6) semester hours per calendar year; and
- At least one-half of the full-time faculty have a Master's or higher degree in nursing; and
- Part-time clinical instructors, regardless of title used, have a minimum of a baccalaureate degree in nursing.



# New Registered Nurse Licenses Issued by Exam

- FY 2019 = 1,963
- FY 2020 = 1,925
- FY 2021 = 1,942



# Board of Nursing Impact

- Application Processing Times
  - Exam applications – 0.8 day
  - Endorsement applications – 1.5 days
  - Reinstatement applications – 1.6 days
- Legislative Body passed the Nurse Licensure Compact in 2016
  - Implemented January 19, 2018
  - 38 states
  - 2,078,921 individuals have a compact license
- Work closely with Nursing Education Programs in developing/revising policies
- Emergency Rules



# Questions

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