

PUBLIC POLICY AGENDA

2023-2024





EDUCATION

- Support policies that promote nursing education progression with qualified faculty in numbers sufficient to educate an agile nurse workforce prepared to respond effectively to the health care needs of the nation and the global community.
- Advocate for funding to expand nurse faculty education programs that enhance the development of a diverse faculty of educators and scholars.
- Support funding of research initiatives that promote the scholarship of teaching and advance the science of nursing education.
- Support funding for policy initiatives to promote access to technological innovation in nursing education.
- Advocate for regulatory policies that allow for innovative approaches in nursing education while maintaining quality and safety standards.

WORKFORCE

- Support funding to enhance access to nursing programs to increase the number of nurses and nurse educators in the workforce.
- Advocate for research funding that addresses the impact of social determinants of health on population health and health system outcomes.
- Advocate for APRNs to function to their full scope of practice
- Pursue funding to support recruitment and education for a diverse APRN workforce.
- Support policy and research initiatives that promote data collection and analysis for nurse workforce planning.
- Support policies for fair and equitable reimbursement consistent with the level of care provided by nurses.
- Advocate for nursing licensure that is dynamic and fluid across state boundaries to increase access to care while maintaining public protection.
- Support policies that prepare nurses to effectively participate in disaster planning and respond to public health emergencies while safeguarding the nursing workforce.

ACCESS

- Promote access to equitable comprehensive health care for individuals, families, communities, and populations through the enhancement of services in all practice settings.
- Support policies to eliminate statutory and regulatory barriers to nursing practice and enable nurses to practice to the full extent of their education and preparation.
- Advocate for public health, prevention, and health promotion policies.
- Support maximizing education funding for health care professionals who commit to practice in rural and underserved areas.
- Advocate for and promote policies related to climate change that impact the health and well-being of all individuals, families, communities, and populations.

DIVERSITY & INCLUSION

- Promote policies and funding to recruit and retain a population of nurses and nurse educators who mirror the diversity of the nation and marginalized populations.
- Advocate for policies that enrich and sustain culturally relevant nursing education that leads to interprofessional, evidence-based health care delivery that impact social determinants of health.
- Support policies that recognize the dynamic and diverse needs of individuals, families, communities, and populations within the nation and the global community.
- Promote policies and evidence-based strategies to foster and sustain inclusivity and belonging in academic and health care environments.
- Advocate for a shared agenda among national nursing organizations to address social determinants of health to achieve health equity.

