

NATIONAL LEAGUE FOR NURSING

PUBLIC POLICY AGENDA

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for Nursing**

EDUCATION

- ▶ Support policies that promote nursing education progression with the necessary faculty to educate the next generation of nurses who will care for diverse populations of patients, families, and communities, and who will respond effectively to public health emergencies.
- ▶ 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 policy initiatives to establish a seamless infrastructure that promotes academic, professional, and technological progression.
- ▶ Advocate for regulatory and general policies for innovative solutions in nursing education while maintaining quality and safety standards.

WORKFORCE

- ▶ Support funding for nursing programs to increase the nursing and nurse educator workforce.
- ▶ Advocate for research funding that improves population health and health system outcomes.
- ▶ Pursue funding for education and policies for APRNs to practice to their full scope of practice.
- ▶ Support policy initiatives that promote data collection and analysis for nurse workforce planning and health care capacity building.
- ▶ Support policies for fair and equitable reimbursement consistent with the level of care provided by nurses.
- ▶ Advocate for nursing care that is dynamic and fluid across state boundaries to increase access to care while maintaining public protection.
- ▶ Support policies that prepare nurses to effectively respond to public health emergencies and to safeguard the nursing workforce, including adequate provision of personal protective equipment.



ACCESS

- ▶ Promote equitable access to holistic health care of patients and caregivers through the enhancement of services in all practice settings, including local community health centers, neighborhood clinics, and nurse-managed health clinics.
- ▶ 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 policies that promote the health and education of the public to meet the challenges of a diverse and ever-changing, market-driven health care environment.
- ▶ Support maximizing education funding for health care professionals who commit to practice in rural and underserved areas.
- ▶ Advocate and protect policies that promote the environmental health and well-being of individuals, families, and communities.

DIVERSITY

- ▶ Promote policies and funding to recruit and retain a population of nurses and nurse educators who mirror the diversity of the nation and those more vulnerable populations in terms of health care issues.
- ▶ Advocate for policies that enrich and sustain culturally relevant nursing education that leads to interprofessional, evidence-based health care delivery and reduction in health disparities.
- ▶ Support policies that recognize the dynamic and diverse needs of individuals, families, and communities within the nation.
- ▶ Promote policies and evidence-based strategies to foster and sustain inclusivity and civility in academic and health care environments.
- ▶ Support incorporation of National Standards for Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS) in all education and practice settings.