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The Kansas State Board of Nursing would like to recognize the contributions that are being made by nurses at all levels during this unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic. The courage that each frontline nurse demonstrates daily is heroic, requiring conquering personal anxiety and fears to provide care to the most vulnerable patients. Those nurses in leadership roles are struggling to make informed decisions, generate plans for our communities when no rules, guidelines or even adequate supplies exist. Meanwhile, nurses and APRN's continue to provide care for the non COVID illness and emergencies that do not stop just because our nation has a unprecedented infectious event. We applaud your "Can do" spirit, efforts to collaborate with the entire health care team and all State and local agencies that are working together to get Kansas and our nation through these unfathomable times.

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# NURSE STATISTICS

License Type	Total
Clinical Nurse Specialist	468
Licensed Mental Health Technician	63
Licensed Practical Nurse - Multi-State	668
Licensed Practical Nurse - Single-State	9933
Nurse Midwife	95
Nurse Practitioner	5355
Registered Nurse - Multi-State	6340
Registered Nurse - Single-State	52180
Registered Nurse Anesthetist	1199

# BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

# **Board Meetings**

- December 7, 8 & 9 Virtual
- March 22, 23 & 24 (2021)
- June 14, 15 & 16 (2021)

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# **KSBN Update**

There are licensing requirements that must be met before a license can be issued, which includes information that is reviewed and processed. Due to the high volume of applications and information KSBN is receiving that must be reviewed and processed, processing times may be longer than usual. Please continue to check your application checklist as we will update it as information is processed. It slows processing times when staff must respond to numerous emails and phone calls as to whether a piece of information has been received and processed. Another important reminder, licenses are issued on an individual basis and times may differ for each applicant. Agency staff are working diligently to process applications and required information. We want to get applicants licensed as soon as possible. Due to social distancing requirements, we must limit the number in our lobby to no more than one at a time. It is highly recommended that you conduct your business with the Board of Nursing via online services, mail, phone call or email or by making an appointment (785-296-2967). There is a secure drop box located outside of the agency that is available for anyone to drop off documents for the Board of Nursing. KSBN NO longer performs fingerprinting services in the agency. There is a list of the sites with contact information on our website. The

majority of staff continue to telework to decrease possible exposure. The best way to contact them is via their email. You may find our direct agency contacts information listed under Staff Directory on our website. Please continue to follow our website and social media [Twitter and Facebook] and our COVID-19 Information Center for agency updates and frequently asked questions.

KSBN has changed some processes during this pandemic to meet the restrictions of gatherings, promote safety for all and to streamline some processes in our agency. Some changes that have occurred include:

- First ever virtual committee and board meetings held in lune
- Individual Offering Approval has been changed to an electronic submission
- Controlled Substance Verification Form has been changed to an electronic submission
- Individual IV Therapy Application has been changed to an electronic submission
- Faculty Qualification Report has been changed to an electronic submission

Thank you for your support and patience during this difficult and uncertain time.

# House Bill 2016

House Bill 2016 was passed by the Legislature in the Special Session of 2020 and signed by Governor Kelly with an effective date of 6/9/2020. This act concerns the governmental response to the 2020 COVID-19 pandemic in Kansas. It contains provisions that impact nurses supporting a healthcare facility's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, which may not be all nurses. Here is a brief overview of the provisions that pertain to nurses that meet the criteria:

- The state of disaster emergency continues in existence from March 12, 2020 through September 15, 2020
- APRNs employed to support a facility's response to the COVID-19 pandemic may work as necessary without direction and supervision from a responsible physician. RNAs may work as necessary to support the facility's response to the pandemic without direction and supervision from a physician (expires 1/26/2021)
- RNs or LPNs may order the collection of throat or nasopharyngeal swab specimens from individual suspected of being infected by COVID-19 for the purposes of testing (expires 1/26/2021)
- LPNs may provide healthcare services appropriate to their education, training and experience when employed or contracted to work to support the facility's response to the pandemic without direction from a RN (expires 1/26/2021)

- RNs or LPNs who hold a license that is exempt or inactive or whose license has lapsed within the past five years may provide healthcare services appropriate to their education, training and experience (expires <u>1/26/2021</u>)
- Allows a registered nurse who is serving in the military to volunteer or work within a facility in roles that are appropriate to their education, training and experience (expires 1/26/2021)
- A nurse licensed and in good standing in another state may practice as a nurse in the state of Kansas (expires 1/26/2021)
- Nurses meeting the requirements of this act may have their license reinstated within five years of lapse without the requirements of continuing education and payment of a fee. Nurses wanting this provision will be given a temporary license that expires on 1/26/2021. After that date, the nurse may apply for reinstatement of license and meet the requirements of reinstatement.

As a reminder, all these provisions impact nurses supporting a healthcare facility's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, which may not be all nurses. There is a link to HB 2016 on our website.

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# KSBN COMMITTEE REPORTS

# June 2020 CNE Committee

The CNE Committee was called to order by Julianna Rieschick, MSN, RN, NEA-BC, Chair at 12:30 pm on June 17, 2020 via conference call. Minutes from December 10, 2019 were approved.

The IOA Statistical Report was reviewed. Carol Moreland, MSN, RN reported the IOA submission process is not electronic through KSBN's website.

Johnson County Community College, LT0027-0549 and Miami County Medical Center, LT0212-0772 voluntarily relinquished their CNE Providership with KSBN.

It was moved to approve the Long-Term Provider Renewal Application for B.E. Education Group, LLC- LT0258-0310 from April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2025.

It was moved to approve the Long-Term Provider 5 year renewal application for Manhattan Area Technical College – LT0260-0710, from April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2025, with recommendations. The following was missing from the LTP Renewal Application: provider numbers should be listed on the certificate of attendance; number of contact hours awarded should be listed on the certificate of attendance.

It was moved to approve the Long-Term Provider 5 Year Renewal Application for Olathe Medical Center – LT0048-0749, from April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2025, with recommendations. The following was missing from the LTP Renewal Application: bibliographies submitted contained references that were outdated according to K.A.R. 60-9-105 (d)(5).

It was moved to approve the Long-Term Provider 5 year Renewal Application for Seward County Community College – LT0163-0250, from April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2025.

It was moved to approve the Long-Term Provider 5 Year Renewal Application for Perinatal Resource – LT0286-1213 from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2-25.

It was moved to approve the Long-Term Provider Renewal Application for Salina Surgical Hospital – LT0707-0606 from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2025, with recommendations. The following was missing from the LTP Renewal Application: the sample daily roster submitted did not include the participant's signature.

It was moved to approve the Long-Term Provider Renewal Application for Case Management Society of America, KC Chapter – LT0206-0606, from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2025 with recommendations. The following was missing from the LTP Renewal Application: the language was not correct on all the offering announcements submitted, in alignment with K.A.R. 60-9-107 (b)(3)(C).

The Long-Term Provider Renewal Application received from Remedy Health Care Consulting, LLC, LT0293-0615 is

missing too many components. Carol Moreland will contact the provider to resubmit a new application.

It was moved to approve the Long-Term Provider Initial Application for Interim Healthcare from June 16, 2020 through June 30, 2025, with recommendations. The following was missing from the LTP Initial Application: the language was not correct on offering advertisements or announcement, in alignment with K.A.R. 60-9-107 (b)(3)(C).

It was moved to approve the Long-Term Provider Initial Application for The Nursing Connection from June 16, 2020 through June 30, 2025.

The Long-Term Provider Application received is missing too many components. Carol Moreland will contact the provider to resubmit a new application.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:04 pm.

# **Practice Committee**

The Practice/ IV Therapy Advisory Committee was called to order on June 16, 2020 by Mandy Karstetter, LPN, Chair. The meeting was held via virtual means due to pandemic. Christina Blanton, RN, BSN and Sharon Morris, MSN, RN were both absent with prior notice. The minutes from the December 10, 2019 were reviewed and approved. It was moved to approve the delegation of specific nursing tasks in state of Kansas. It was moved to present support of House Bill 2488, regarding school nurse and Epi kits, to the board. The 5-year legislative review schedule included approving KSA 65-1165, KAR 60-3-101, KAR 60-3-108, KAR 60-15-102, KAR 60-15-103, KAR 60-15-104, KSA 65-4204, KSA 65-4205 and KSA 65-1136. KAR 60-7-101 was tabled for further action. Meeting was adjourned.

# June 2020 Education Committee

The Education Committee met June 16, 2020 and was called to order by Patsy Zeller, MSN, APRN, FNP, Chair, at 8:32 a.m. via Zoom. There was review of the onsite packet which included the draft proposal of guidelines for survey visits of nursing programs that includes virtual visits and a draft student feedback survey for nursing programs. There were no additions or revisions to the agenda. The minutes

from December 10, 2019 were approved. There was no March meeting due to COVID-19 restrictions.

The site visit report from Rasmussen College, BSN Program was reviewed. It was moved to accept the site visit report for Rasmussen College, BSN Program for the time period consistent with national accreditation if recommendations are met in the expected time frame.

The site visit report from Pittsburg State University, BSN Program was reviewed. It was moved to accept the site visit report for Pittsburg State University, BSN Program and reapprove for the time period of national accreditation.

The site visit report from Pittsburg State University, DNP Program was reviewed. It was moved to accept the site visit report for Pittsburg State University, DNP Program and reapprove for the time period of national accreditation.

The site visit report from Newman University, BSN Program was reviewed. It was moved to accept the site visit report for Newman University BSN Program and reapprove for the time period of national accreditation.

The site visit report from University of Saint Mary, BSN Program was reviewed. It was moved to accept the site visit report for University of Saint Mary, BSN Program and reapprove for the time period of national accreditation.

The site visit report from University of Saint Mary, MSN-FNP Program was reviewed. It was moved to accept the site visit report for University of Saint Mary, MSN-FNP Program and reapprove for the time period of national accreditation.

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The following schools presented major curriculum changes:

- Hutchinson Community College PN Program
- Kansas City Kansas Community College PN Program
- Colby Community College PN Program
- Garden City Community College PN Program
- Barton Community College PN Program
- North Central Kansas Technical College Beloit PN
  Program
- Washburn Tech PN Program
- Bethel College BSN Program
- MidAmerica Nazarene University Graduate Program
- Kansas City Kansas Community College PN and ADN Programs
- Colby Community College ADN Program
- University of Kansas BSN Program
- University of Kansas Graduate Program
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Board reviewed a document submitted by Pratt Community College ADN program on Strategies to Improve RN NCLEX Pass Rates. No action taken.

Board held discussion regarding expectations for nursing programs for Fall 2020 in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. Regulations must be followed and there are no Executive Orders that impact nursing programs. Board continues to allow that a Major Curriculum Change Request (MCCR) is not required for temporary changes in course methodology due to pandemic. If a decision is made by the school to

make a change permanent, then a MCCR should be submitted.

IV Therapy regulations for LPNs were revised and finalized in January 2020. A Major Curriculum Change Request (MCCR) is required for any PN program wanting to add the IV Therapy content to their program regardless of previous approval to adopt the PN Core Curriculum. New regulations require the MCCR. Programs will need to provide a list of students to KSBN who successfully complete the PN program that includes the IV therapy content. List should be submitted on the Board-approved roster template.

A draft of updated site visit guidelines which include new guidance on virtual site visits was reviewed. Board asked that a team be assembled to review the draft further and discuss policy moving forward. Team will convene and report back to Board in September.

Site visit schedule for Fall 2020 was reviewed. April site visits cancelled due to COVID19 are being rescheduled into the Fall 2020 schedule. Janelle Martin will email committee members for assistance with site visits as needed.

Eleven petitions for permission to test/retest were reviewed and action taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:59 am.

# June 2020 APRN Committee

The APRN Committee was called to order by Carol Bragdon, PhD, APRN, Chair on June 16, 2020 at 2:00 pm via conference call. Minutes from December 10, 2019 were approved.

Bobbe Mansfield, DNP, FNP-BC reported on the PMP Committee Report. The impact of K-TRACS continues to grow. There have been some grants issued to the Board of Pharmacy to assist with expansion. Carol Moreland, MSN, RN reported on K-TRACS funding for FY 2021. The Board of Pharmacy has been able to get grants and this will enable KSBN's fee fund will not be impacted in FY 21.

Cara Busenhart, PhD, CNM, APRN reported the CNM-I proposed regulations are still in progress.

It was moved to approve the following out of state schools and their noted programs as meeting the board's criteria: Alverno College – Family NP and Old Dominion University – Neonatal NP.

Carol Moreland, MSN, RN suggested providing links on the KSBN website to direct CRNAs and CNMs to the Healthcare Stabilization Fund and add it to the APRN application to make applicants aware. There was a consensus of the Committee to add a link to the KSBN website to direct CRNAs and CNMs to the Healthcare Stabilization Fund website and to add to the APRN application.

The meeting adjourned at 2:50 pm.

# **Investigative Committee**

The Investigative Committee was called to order on June 15, 2020 by JoAnn Klassen, RN, MN, JD, Chair. The meeting was held via conference call due to pandemic. The minutes from the December 9 & 10, 2019 committee meeting were approved. The minutes from the April 27 & 28, 2020 committee meeting were approved. Linda Davies, Practice Specialist discussed the waiting period for new graduates to take the NCLEX with Pearson Vue. New employees, Nicki Snodgrass, RN Investigator, Evan Faulkner, Special Investigator, and Victoria Bond, Administrative Specialist were introduced. Carol Moreland, Executive Administrator discussed the records retention policy. Legislative review included approving KSA 65-1121, KSA 65-1129 and KSA 65-1135. The committee moved to deliberate on matters relating to decisions involving the exercise of quasi-judicial functions as authorized by KSA 2013 Supp. 75-4318(g)(1). Meeting was adjourned.

#### Investigative Division Update

During these unprecedented times, KSBN Investigative Division is working towards efficiency and converting our process to an electronic format. Due to this change, over half of the current staff are working remote. As we continue to focus on the safety of our staff, along with the safety of the public, we ask that you please <u>contact us via email</u> for a quicker response time. If you are unsure who to contact, please reach out to Victoria, Administrative Specialist, at <u>victoria.r.bond@ks.gov</u> and she will forward your message to the appropriate staff.

As we move towards becoming completely electronic, we are also working on online submission of complaints and the ability to upload documents on our website. While this is still a work in progress, we are currently accepting complaint forms to the email above. Our staff is also starting to accept some documents electronically, however when original or certified documents are needed, we are still only able to accept paper copies. We thank you for your patience and understanding as we adapt to serving the public in this unprecedented time.

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#### **Caylee Longstaff**

Topeka, KS 66604 License # 23-46872-102 Case # 15-393-8 License Limited 6/16/2020

#### Megan Pope

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Sylvia Lisle Ulysses, KS 67880 License # 13-99395-061 Case # 17-1370-4 License Limited 7/2/2020

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Jennifer Doucet Topeka, KS 66617 License # 13-83376-012 Case # 2020-197-0 License Monitoring 7/27/2020

**Danielle Sender** Topeka, KS 66614 License # 23-51725-042 Case # 19-1369-8 License Limited 8/8/2020 **Connie Harzman** Wichita, KS 67211 License # 13-51757-051 Case # 16-720-5 License Public Censure 8/14/2020

#### **Crystal Walker**

Leavenworth, KS 66048 License # 13-108309-072 Case # 17-258-8 & 17-1367-8 License Suspended 8/13/2020

#### Amy Dozier

Iola, KS 66749 License # 23-21284-022 Case # 17-2124-6 License Suspended 8/13/2020

**Kristi Scofield** Wichita, KS 67212 License # 23-36734-081 Case # 19-345-5 License Suspended 8/29/2020

#### Oleksandra Okrepka

Kansas City, MO 64109 License # 13-105983-072 Case # 17-1636-7 License Reinstated 9/17/2020

#### Amber Rau

Haysville, KS 67060 License # 13-126814-042 Case # 16-144-5 License Denied 9/21/2020

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# **CNE Guidelines for Advanced Practice Nurses**

K.A.R. 60-11-113(b) reads "License renewal, on and after January 1, 2013, each individual renewing a license shall have completed the required 30 contact hours of approved continuing nursing education (CNE) related to the **advanced practice** role during the most recent prior license period. Proof of completion of 30 contact hours of approved CNE in the advanced practice nurse role may be requested by the board.'

#### Guidelines for advanced practice nurses seeking continuing nursing education offerings:

Compare the course learning objectives/outcomes for any course you are considering with the definition of Continuing Nursing Education: Continuing nursing education means a learning experience intended to build upon the educational and experiential bases of the advanced practice nurse for the enhancement of practice, education, administration, research or theory development to the end of improving the health of the public.

- Is the course designed to provide new knowledge or enhance current knowledge and/or skills in your advanced practice role, to assist you in improving the health of the public?
- Is the course designed to provide you with the skills and/or knowledge to provide innovative changes supported by research and theory within your advanced practice role, to assist you in improving the health of the public?

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If the course learning objectives meet the above criteria, then the offering is appropriate for advanced practice continuing nursing education.

#### Guidelines for approved CNE offerings:

K.S.A. 65-1119(5) "The board shall accept offerings as continuing nursing education presented by: colleges that are approved by a state or national department of education and providers approved by other state boards of nursing, the national league for nursing, the national federation of licensed practical nurses, the American nurse credentialing center, or other such national organizations as listed in the rules and regulations adopted by the board."

#### PLEASE NOTE:

- All college courses must be submitted and approved by the Individual Offering Approval (IOA) process, prior to renewal of license
- CME's are continuing medical education (not continuing nursing education) and must be submitted and approved by the Individual Offering Approval (IOA) process, prior to renewal of license
- If the CNE certificate of completion does not clearly indicate being approved for advanced practice nurses, you must submit the course learning objectives with the certificate for proof of advanced practice continuing nursing education, if audited or reinstating your license



# **Frequently asked** questions to the Kansas State **Board of Nursing**

#### Question: What is the scope of practice for an LPN?

Answer: K.S.A. 1113(d)(2) The practice of nursing as a licensed practical nurse means the performance for compensation or gratuitously, except as permitted by KSA 65-1124, and any amendments thereto, of tasks and responsibilities defined in part (1) of this subsection (d) which tasks and responsibilities are based on acceptable educational preparation within the framework of supportive and restorative care under the direction of a registered professional nurse, a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery or a person licensed to practice dentistry.

KSA 1113(d)(2) sets three qualifiers for LPN practice: 1) an LPN must have a supervisor that is an RN, someone licensed to practice medicine and surgery (M.D. or D.O.) or a dentist 2) an LPN must function in the area of supportive and/or restorative care; (3) an LPN's activities must be based on acceptable educational preparation. If these three criteria are met an LPN may engage in care, nursing diagnosis, (not medical diagnosis) treatment, counsel and health teaching, supervision, administration, teaching of the nursing process and execution of the medical regimen. These activities are most often limited by the LPN's educational preparation. Any post basic education obtained can be considered and should meet the industry standard.

#### Question: Can LPNs supervise RN/APRNs?

Answer: Yes. It is possible for an LPN to supervise other nurses but each LPN must be evaluated as to education/skill level. The LPN must have a supervisor (RN, MD or DO) overseeing their work. Caution LPNs & their supervisors need to think about how they will prove education/skill level. LPNs supervising RNs is the odd case scenario for two reasons: 1) finding the qualified LPN w/the skill set & 2) the cost to the business to employ the LPN who also requires a RN supervisor (who could simply do the job themselves). Facilities must also consider federal law

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- 1. Meet the home state's qualifications
- 2. Graduate from qualifying education program (or graduated from a foreign program verified by independent credentials review agency)
- 3. Passed English proficiency exam, if graduate from a foreign nursing program
- 4. Pass the NCLEX exam (or state board test pool exam)
- 5. Have no active discipline on a license
- 6. Submit to state/federal fingerprint-based criminal background check
- 7. Not be currently enrolled in an alternative program
- 8. Self-disclose participation in an alternative program
- 9. Have no misdemeanors <u>related to practice of</u> <u>nursing</u> as determined by the state board of nursing on a case by case basis
- 10. Have a valid U.S. Social Security number
- 11. Have no prior state or federal felony convictions

If you have a multi-state nursing license from your state of residence you can practice nursing in all 34 states that are members of the Nurse Licensure Compact. Information and the application to convert your single state Kansas nursing license to a multi-state nursing license is available on our website. Please ensure you will be able to meet all the eleven uniform licensure requirements before you submit an application for a multi-state license. There are no exceptions for the eleven uniform licensure requirements.





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According to a recent survey, 97% of K-TRACS users believe the program has a positive impact on preventing prescription drug misuse, abuse and diversion in the state of Kansas.

K-TRACS is the state's prescription drug monitoring program (PDMP). Pharmacies are required to report prescription drug data on controlled substances (Schedule II-IV) and drugs of concern within 24 hours of dispensation.

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- Before prescribing or dispensing for new patients
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Over the summer, more than 2,000 Board of Nursing licensees completed a K-TRACS survey that gauged users' perceptions of the program and identified areas for improvement. Significant findings from user responses on the survey include:

- 95% of users believe the information provided about patients' prescription drug history in K-TRACS is accurate.
- About 24% of prescribers (including 25% of nurse practitioners) use K-TRACS on a daily basis. Nurses and pharmacy technicians are considered "delegates" in the K-TRACS system, and collectively, about 30% of delegates use K-TRACS on a daily basis.
- 89% of users have adequate knowledge and training to use K-TRACS appropriately.
- Additionally, 2,138 non-user responses from primarily nurses were collected. Those responses show:
- A lack of understanding of what K-TRACS is and how it is being used in the state - this could be due to nurses working in sectors such as nursing homes, schools and hospital departments such as ICU where K-TRACS may not be needed.
- A number of facility policies in place to restrict K-TRACS usage to prescribers only. •

You can visit the K-TRACS website to learn more about how K-TRACS is used in preventing prescription drug misuse, abuse and diversion, as well as to find out how nurses and prescribers can implement K-TRACS into their clinical workflows to prioritize patient safety.

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# **Reminders about the Controlled Substance Verification Form**

#### What is this form?

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#### Who needs to submit this form?

Any APRN that has a written protocol with a responsible physician that authorizes the APRN to prescribe controlled substances

#### How often do I need to submit this form?

When the written protocol is initiated and you need a DEA license and when there have been any changes to the information that was submitted (examples: change in responsible physician, change in schedules of controlled substances, etc.)

#### Where is this form?

It is located under the forms tab on our website. It will be changing to an electronic submission soon. There are directions with the form.

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- Follow the CNE policy of the state in which you have your multi-state license. For example, if your multi-state license is through Kansas, you are required to obtain 30 hours of approved CNE before renewing your license. If your multi-state license is through Missouri, you would follow Missouri's requirements even if you are working in Kansas.
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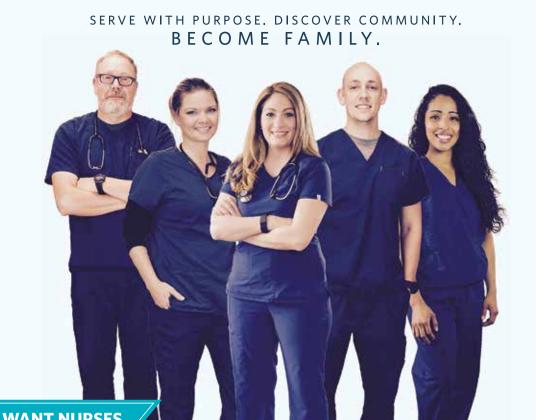
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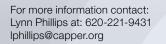
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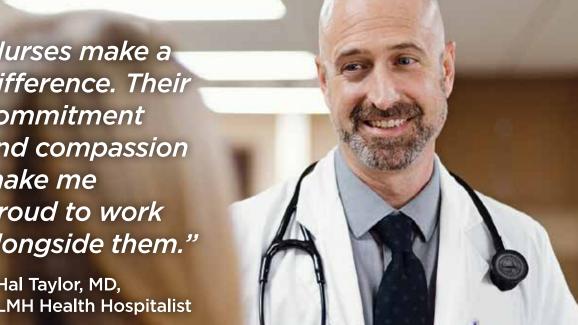
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