

Nevada State Board of NURSING

The Nevada State Board of Nursing (NSBN) is a title 54 Board made up of seven members appointed by the Governor. Like other title 54 boards and commissions NSBN is funded through licensure fees and receives no state general funds. The Board includes four registered nurses, one licensed practical nurse, one certified nursing assistant, and one consumer member. NSBN is responsible for regulating the practice of nursing, approving all schools of nursing, regulating student pass rates, approving certified nursing assistant training programs, adopting licensure and certification examinations, licensing nurses, certifying nursing assistants, and disciplining licensees. The Board appoints an Executive Director (a registered nurse) who is responsible for overseeing a staff of 26 and two Board offices located in Reno and Las Vegas.

LICENSURE INFORMATION

NUMBER OF LICENSEES

Registered Nurses (RN)	51,759
Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN)	4,375
Certified Nursing Assistants (CNA)	9,668
Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRN)	4,142
Emergency Medical Service Registered Nurses (EMS-RN)	265
Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNA)	252
TOTAL LICENSEES	70,461

Licensees and certificate holders renew on a rolling biennial basis (every two years). The Nevada State Board of Nursing processed approximately 7,983 new applications for initial licensure/certification in FY 20/21

LICENSURE TIMES-FROM RECEIPT OF THE APPLICATION TO THE DAY THE TEMPORARY LICENSE IS ISSUED

Temporary RN/LPN Licenses	4-6 days
Temporary CNA Certificates	11 days

FEES*

RN – Endorsement	\$105
RN – Exam	\$100
LPN – Endorsement	\$ 95
LPN – Exam	\$ 90
CNA All Application Types	\$ 50
Fingerprinting	\$ 40

*Licensure fees have not changed in over 20 years

DISCIPLINE INFORMATION

In FY 20/21 the Nevada State Board of Nursing received 399 practice related complaints against licensees or certificate holders. The average time to conduct and complete an investigation was, on average, 60 days.

PRACTICE COMPLAINTS & DISCIPLINE FY 20/21

APRN/RN/LPN Complaints investigated	257
CNA Complaints investigated	60

TOTAL DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS IN FY 20/21 90

TYPES OF COMPLAINTS RECEIVED BY LICENSE TYPE

RN/LPN	CNA	APRN
Customary Standards	Privacy/Confidentiality	Standard of practice
Failure to Collaborate	Harm	Collaboration
Harm	Abuse	Scope of practice

EDUCATION INFORMATION

NUMBER OF APPROVED NEVADA NURSING PROGRAMS

Fully Approved Nursing Program	13
Approved CNA Training Programs	20
TOTAL NEVADA NURSING PROGRAMS	33
Provisionally approved nursing programs meet the initial criteria for approval. To gain full approval, these schools must gain national accreditation.	

COVID-19 Emergency Waivers Received

RN (3203), LPN (669), CNA (921), APRN (584), NURSING STUDENT (80) – **TOTAL 5,457**

GRADUATES FROM NEVADA NURSING PROGRAMS IN FY 20/21

PhD	7
DNP	48
Post MSN Certificate	18
MSN	29
BSN	914
RN to BSN	164
AAS	446
LPN	27
TOTAL GRADUATES IN NV IN FY 19/20	1,653