

NURSE LICENSURE COMPACT: NEVADA

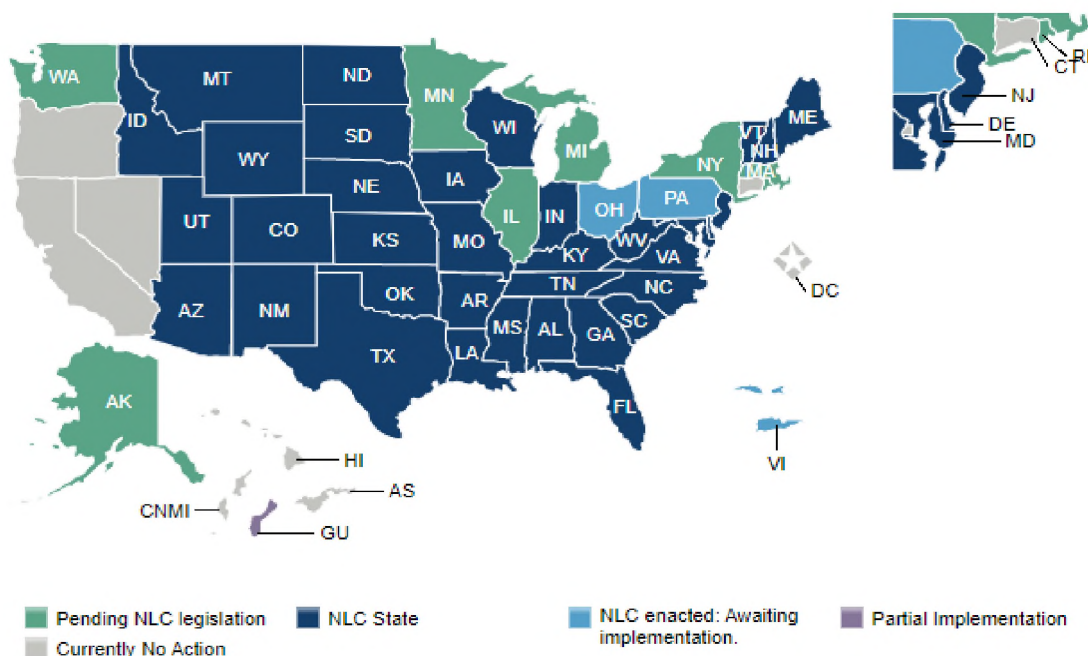
The Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC) allows nurses to hold one license in their state of residency and use that one license to practice nursing in all compact states.

39 jurisdictions are currently members of the NLC. All 39 jurisdictions follow uniform requirements

Benefits of the NLC for Nevadans

- **Access to care:** Expands access to nursing services across Nevada and the nation.
- **Military:** Allows military spouse nurses to seamlessly continue working without having to obtain a new license each time they relocate.
- **Disasters:** Allows nurses to immediately cross state lines and provide care in a disaster.
- **Telehealth:** Facilitates participation of Nevada nurses in the growing telehealth industry
- **Cost Effective:** Reduces duplicative licensure fees for nurses working with patients in our bordering NLC states

The Nurse Licensure Compact: A licensure initiative to help the public



Key Facts about the NLC

- **The NLC provides a consistent high standard of nursing practice:** All nurses in all states must pass the national nursing exam (NCLEX) to be licensed. Nevada requires 30 hours of continuing education every 2 years; some compact states require more than that and some require less, but all states have some method of continued competency.
- **Discipline in a compact state:** All nurses must follow the Nurse practice Act in the state where their patient is located. If a compact nurse violates the nurse practice act of a compact state, both the board of nursing that issued the compact license as well as the board of nursing in the state where the incident occurred can discipline the nurse. All discipline is reported to the national nursing database (NURSYS). Anyone, including the public can access NURSYS. All compact nurses must have background checks.
- **The NLC Commission is run by the head of the board of nursing in each state:** each state is a voting member of the NLC. The financial beneficiaries are the nurses who no longer have to pay multiple licensure fees to many different states.

Support for the NLC

Nevada Hospital Association
Nevada Organization of Nurse Leaders
Desert Springs Hospital
NV Action Coalition
Northern NV Medical Center
National Military Family Assoc
National Governor's Association
Renown Health
UNR
Summerlin Hospital
VA Sierra Nevada

AARP
UMC
Carson Tahoe Hospital
American Association
of Colleges of Nursing
National Governors Assoc.
NCSL
NSHE workforce
UNLV
Dignity Hospitals
NV Rural Health Partners

Nevada Nurses Association
Centennial Hills Hospital
Great Basin College
American Organization of
Nurse Leaders
OWINN
NAPNA
Arizona College
Veterans Administration
Mountain View Hospital
Mt. Grant General Hospitals

