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Florida's Nursing Education Programs Continued to Expand in 2011 with Significant Increases in Student Enrollment and Graduates

at a glance

To address the nursing shortage in Florida, the 2009 Legislature modified how the Board of Nursing oversees nursing education programs. The intent of the modifications was to increase the number of nursing programs and qualified nurses in Florida. Since the legislation took effect in July 2009,

- the Board of Nursing has approved 111 new nursing education programs, which has increased the total number of programs by 67%;
- the number of nursing student seats has increased by 47%;
- enrollment in nursing programs has increased by 40%, with the greatest increase occurring in associate degree programs;
- nursing program retention rates have gradually increased; and
- the number of students graduating from nursing programs has increased by 14%.

However, not enough time has elapsed to fully evaluate the effects of the new law on nursing licensure exam passage rates or employment outcomes of nursing program graduates.

Scope

The Legislature directed OPPAGA to annually review the Board of Nursing's administration of the program approval and accountability processes for nursing programs.^{1,2} This second in a series of five annual reports addresses how nursing programs' capacity, enrollment, and student outcomes changed since the 2009 law took effect.

Due to the recent implementation of Ch. 2009-168, *Laws of Florida*, and Ch. 2010-37, *Laws of Florida*, insufficient time has elapsed to evaluate the effectiveness of the new approval process in producing quality nursing programs and maintaining the quality of nursing graduates. OPPAGA will issue subsequent reports on the program approval process and outcomes annually through 2015.

Background

To ensure quality nursing practice, Ch. 464, *Florida Statutes*, establishes the Florida Board of Nursing and grants the board authority to adopt rules, discipline nurses who violate regulations, and approve and

¹ Chapter 2010-37, *Laws of Florida*.

² The prior OPPAGA reports issued were entitled: *Since Implementing Statutory Changes, the State Board of Nursing Has Approved More Nursing Programs; the Legislature Should Address Implementation Issues*, OPPAGA [Report No. 10-14](#), January 2010; *Board of Nursing Addressed Statutory Changes; Nursing Program Capacity Expanded in 2009-10*, OPPAGA [Report No. 11-06](#), January 2011; and *Supplemental Report: Florida Nursing Education Programs 2009-10*, OPPAGA [Report No. 11-18](#), May 2011. OPPAGA's supplemental report provides detailed data that nursing programs reported on their capacity, enrollment, graduation, retention, and examination passage rates.

monitor nursing education programs.³ In 2009, the Legislature modified the process for approving new nursing education programs by removing rulemaking authority from the Board of Nursing and specifying the nursing education program approval process in statute.⁴ Our 2010 report identified several issues with the board’s implementation of the 2009 law and made recommendations to the Legislature and the Board of Nursing.⁵ The 2010 Legislature modified statutes to address issues raised by our report and stakeholders. In addition, our 2011 report determined that the board has implemented the revised processes and addressed other issues we identified.⁶

As shown in Exhibit 1, 222 nursing education programs in Florida had students enrolled during the 2011 academic year.^{7,8} These

included 109 programs that offered a licensed practical nursing certificate, 88 programs that offered an associate degree in nursing, and 25 programs that offered a bachelor’s degree in nursing. Many of these programs offered both a generic curriculum (also called a track) for students with no medical experience and a bridge curriculum, which is an expedited program for students with nursing licenses or previous medical experience.⁹

These nursing programs are offered by public school districts, Florida colleges, state universities, private institutions licensed by the Commission for Independent Education, and private institutions that are members of the Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida. In addition, state law authorizes Pensacola Christian College to offer a bachelor of science in nursing degree.¹⁰

³ New programs submit an application, fees, and supporting documents to the board office, which then reviews the application for any errors or deficiencies. Upon the receipt of a complete application, board staff places the program’s application on the Board of Nursing’s agenda for approval. The board monitors approved nursing programs by reviewing their students’ scores on the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX).

⁴ Section 464.019, F.S.

⁵ *Since Implementing Statutory Changes, the State Board of Nursing Has Approved More Nursing Programs; The Legislature Should Address Implementation Issues*, OPPAGA Report No. 10-14, January 2010.

⁶ *Board of Nursing Addressed Statutory Changes; Nursing Program Capacity Expanded in 2009-10*, OPPAGA Report No. 11-06, January 2011.

⁷ An institution in another state offers one of Florida’s nursing education programs. Indiana State University has a distance learning nursing program that awards a bachelor of science in nursing degree. For purposes of this report, this program is

categorized as a bachelor of science second degree track. Students must have a practical nursing certificate to be admitted.

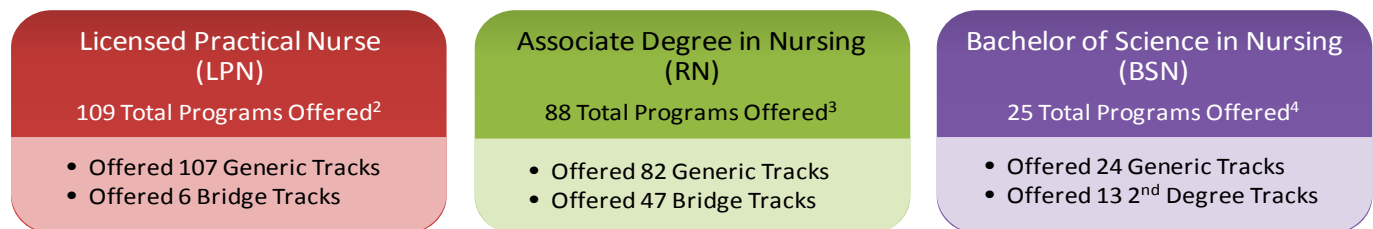
⁸ In addition, 56 programs were approved by the Board of Nursing but did not have students enrolled during 2010-11. Two programs that reported students during 2011 have since closed, however, both programs have reapplied and were approved by the Board in December 2011.

⁹ Section 464.019, F.S., does not differentiate between bridge and generic curriculum tracks. In addition, the Florida Board of Nursing does not make a distinction between generic, bridge, or accelerated tracks.

¹⁰ Nursing education programs in Florida that hold specialized nursing accreditation by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC) or by the Collegiate Commission on Nursing Education (CCNE) are not regulated by the Florida Board of Nursing.

Exhibit 1

During 2010-11, 222 Nursing Education Programs in Florida had Students Enrolled¹



¹ The total includes all curriculum tracks for programs, including 46 programs with multiple tracks.

² Four licensed practical nurse programs have both a generic and a bridge curriculum track and two have a bridge-only track.

³ Forty-one associate degree programs have both a generic and a bridge curriculum track and six have a bridge-only track.

⁴ Twelve bachelor’s degree programs have both a generic curriculum track and a second degree curriculum track and one program only has a second degree track. In addition, Indiana State University is not included in these totals, but has a distance bachelor’s degree program that admits Florida students who have a practical nursing certificate.

Source: OPPAGA survey and analysis.

Findings

How have nursing programs' capacity, enrollment, and student outcomes changed since the 2009 law took effect?

Legislative changes to nursing program approval and monitoring processes were intended to increase the number and quality of nursing graduates in Florida by expanding the capacity of existing programs and creating new programs. Since the law's inception, the number of new nursing programs has increased 67%, increasing the number of student seats by 47%, enrollment by 40%, and nursing graduates by 14%. Data is limited to evaluate licensure exam passage rates by graduates of new programs. In addition, data is not yet available to evaluate employment outcomes for nursing program graduates affected by the 2009 law changes.

Overall, the number of new nursing programs has increased by 67% since the law went into effect. Of the 277 nursing programs statewide, 111 were approved since the statutory changes took effect in July 2009 (a 67% increase).¹¹ As shown in Exhibit 2, the number of approved programs has steadily increased from year to year since the law took effect.¹² During calendar year 2011, the board considered 54 applications for new nursing programs and approved 50 of these programs.^{13, 14}

¹¹ Two programs closed in 2011, which reduced the total number of programs to 277.

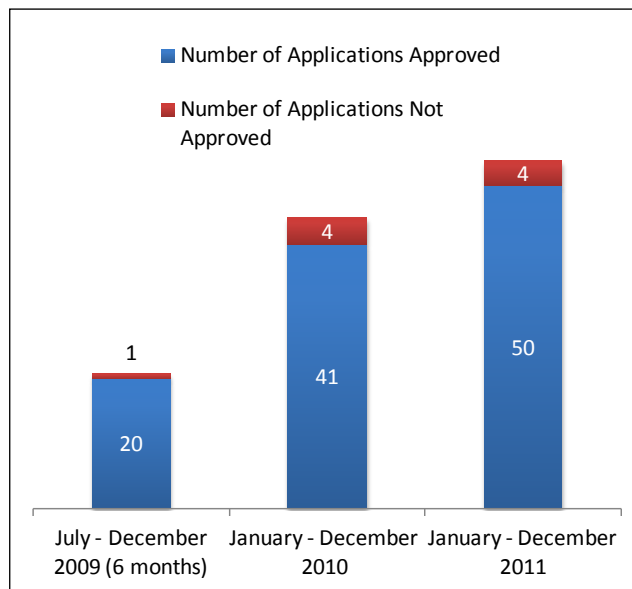
¹² Prior to the law taking effect, 17 of 18 nursing program applications were approved from January 2008 through June 2009.

¹³ The four applicants were denied because they did not meet statutory requirements. This includes not meeting the requirements of faculty qualifications, curriculum, and clinical agreements.

¹⁴ This is an unduplicated count of program applications and board approval from January 2011 through December 2011. Programs may waive the committee's review of their application or their applications may be denied. In 2011, three programs waived the committee's initial review to future meetings, two of which were later approved and one was not taken up again. Another program's application was denied initially but the program reapplied and has since been approved.

Exhibit 2

Since the 2009 Law Went Into Effect, the Number of Nursing Programs Approved has Increased Each Year

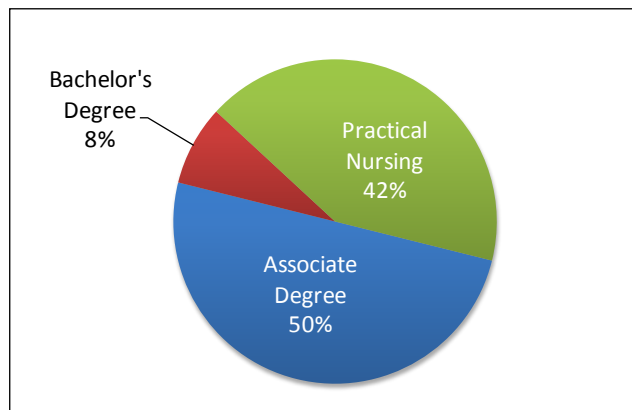


Source: OPPAGA analysis of Florida Board of Nursing data.

As shown in Exhibit 3, 50% of the 50 new programs approved in 2011 award associate degrees and 42% award practical nursing certificates. The remaining four programs (8%) award bachelor's degrees.

Exhibit 3

Most of the Nursing Programs Approved in 2011 Offer Associate Degrees



Source: OPPAGA analysis of Florida Board of Nursing data.

Capacity and enrollment in nursing education programs has continued to increase. Nursing programs have continued to increase their capacity for new students, and admitted more students (approved applications) in 2010-11 than in 2009-10 and 2008-09. For example, as shown in Exhibit 4, the number of new seats available for qualified students increased by nearly 3,500 in 2009-10, and by 4,300 in 2010-11, for an overall increase of 47% since the law was enacted. In addition, a higher

number of new students with approved applications enrolled during the 2010-11 academic year than previous years. These capacity increases are the result of approving new programs and expanding existing programs. The revised law allows existing programs to increase capacity without board approval. During 2010-11, 78 of the 177 (44%) existing programs expanded the number of seats available to new students.

**Exhibit 4
Capacity of Nursing Programs Continue to Expand Under the New Law**

| Capacity Measure | 2008-09 (Prior to the Law Taking Effect) | 2009-10 | 2010-11 | Percentage Increase/Decrease | | |
|---|---|---------|---------|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | | | | 2008-09 to 2009-10 | 2009-10 to 2010-11 | 2008-09 to 2010-11 |
| New Seats | 16,430 | 19,898 | 24,211 | 21% | 22% | 47% |
| Applications Received | 46,997 | 70,464 | 66,136 | 50% | -6% | 41% |
| Qualified Applicants | 30,685 | 41,284 | 40,554 | 35% | -2% | 32% |
| Students Admitted (Approved for Admission) | 17,264 | 19,708 | 23,010 | 14% | 17% | 33% |
| Students Approved for Admission Who Enrolled | 15,616 | 18,316 | 21,436 | 17% | 17% | 37% |

Source: OPPAGA survey of nursing education programs.

Overall, student enrollment in nursing programs grew by 40% from 2008-09 to 2010-11. Enrollment increased by at least 11% in all types of curriculum during this period. As shown in Exhibit 5, the greatest increase was in associate degree in nursing (bridge curriculum) programs

(106%), with 10 new programs and 21 existing programs that expanded their enrollment. Associate degree in nursing (generic curriculum) programs also experienced a large increase in enrollment due to the addition of 23 new programs and the expansion of 36 existing programs.

**Exhibit 5
Student Enrollment Continues to Increase Across All Types of Nursing Programs**

| Curriculum Type | 2008-09 Enrollment ¹ | 2009-10 Enrollment | 2010-11 Enrollment | Percentage Increase/Decrease 2008-09 to 2010-11 |
|--|------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--|
| Practical Nursing (LPN) – Generic | 6,454 | 7,730 | 8,981 | 39% |
| Associate Degree in Nursing – Generic | 9,825 | 10,676 | 13,971 | 42% |
| Associate Degree in Nursing – Bridge | 1,953 | 2,232 | 4,019 | 106% |
| Bachelor’s Degree in Nursing – Generic | 4,081 | 4,342 | 4,523 | 11% |
| Bachelor’s Degree in Nursing – Second Degree | 1,142 | 1,228 | 1,273 | 11% |
| Total | 23,455 | 26,208 | 32,767 | 40% |

¹ Prior to the law taking effect.

Source: OPPAGA survey of nursing education programs.

The percentage of students retained in nursing programs has gradually increased. Retention rates provide information on whether students persist in or complete their educational program a year later. We assessed retention in each type of nursing program using the cohort of students who entered the programs in 2008, 2009, and 2010. To calculate retention, we added the number of graduates and the number of students still enrolled and divided by the number of newly enrolled students for each cohort.¹⁵

The resulting retention rates varied slightly among program types. For example, as shown in Exhibit 6, bachelor’s degree programs typically had higher one-year retention rates (between 83% and 92%) than practical nursing programs (between 75% and 80%). These differences are due to varying admissions criteria and program lengths. Overall, the retention rates for students who entered in 2010 were higher than the rates for those who entered in 2008 and 2009.

¹⁵ Nursing programs admit students throughout the year, with several programs admitting students multiple times per year. We requested

each nursing program to select a cohort of students for 2008, 2009, and 2010 and report to us the outcomes of these students over one-year, two-year, and three-year periods.

Exhibit 6
The Number of Students Retained in Nursing Programs Increased in 2011

| Curriculum Type | Students Entering in 2008 (Status as of 2009) | | Students Entering in 2009 (Status as of 2010) | | Students Entering in 2010 (Status as of 2011) | |
|--|--|----------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| | Total New Students Enrolled | Percentage Retained ¹ | Total New Students Enrolled | Percentage Retained ¹ | Total New Students Enrolled | Percentage Retained ¹ |
| Practical Nursing – Generic | 2,143 | 75% | 2,337 | 76% | 3,059 | 80% |
| Associated Degree in Nursing – Generic | 3,206 | 77% | 3,397 | 80% | 4,772 | 85% |
| Associated Degree in Nursing – Bridge | 792 | 83% | 903 | 81% | 1,050 | 83% |
| Bachelor’s Degree in Nursing – Generic | 1,383 | 83% | 1,435 | 87% | 1,478 | 92% |
| Bachelor’s Degree in Nursing – Second Degree | 370 | 95% | 445 | 89% | 538 | 87% |
| Total | 7,894 | 79% | 8,517 | 80% | 10,897 | 84% |

¹ Includes graduates and students enrolled.

Source: OPPAGA survey of nursing education programs.

The number of students graduating from nursing programs increased 14% from academic year 2008-09 to 2010-11. Lengths of time for completing nursing programs generally range from one to four years, depending on curriculum. For example, a licensed practical nursing program is a one-year program, while the associate degree in nursing is a two-year program and the bachelor’s degree in nursing is a four-year program. As a result, students who enrolled in new programs or programs that experienced increased capacity as a result of the new law began to graduate during the 2010-11 academic year. While it is too early to determine if the change in the law increased the number of student graduating from four-year programs, it appears that the number of students graduating from one- and two-year programs is increasing.¹⁶

Although the overall number of students graduating from nursing education programs increased by 14% from 2008-09 to 2010-11, the number varied among the types of programs. For example, as shown in Exhibit 7, associate degree in nursing (bridge curriculum) programs experienced the greatest increase in students graduating (84%), while associate degree in nursing (generic curriculum) programs experienced only a slight increase (0.95%). However, there are 29 associate degree in nursing (generic curriculum) programs with students enrolled who have not yet graduated, so these rates may increase over time.

for which OPPAGA could not control include students’ economic stability, cost of programs, and curriculum changes.

¹⁶ Other factors may affect the graduation rate of students. Factors

Exhibit 7

The Number of Students Graduating from Nursing Programs Increased from 2008-09 to 2010-11

| Curriculum Type | Graduates | | | Percentage Increase/Decrease 2008-09 to 2010-11 |
|---|----------------------|---------------|---------------|--|
| | 2008-09 ¹ | 2009-10 | 2010-11 | |
| Practical Nursing – Generic ² | 3,910 | 3,805 | 4,581 | 17% |
| Associate Degree in Nursing – Generic ³ | 4,964 | 4,685 | 5,011 | 1% |
| Associate Degree in Nursing – Bridge ⁴ | 885 | 1,029 | 1,629 | 84% |
| Bachelor’s Degree in Nursing – Generic ⁵ | 1,623 | 1,757 | 1,704 | 5% |
| Bachelor’s Degree in Nursing – Second Degree ⁶ | 408 | 432 | 508 | 25% |
| Total | 11,790 | 11,708 | 13,433 | 14% |

¹ Prior to the law taking effect.

² Fifteen licensed practical nurse generic curriculum programs had students enrolled who have not yet graduated.

³ Twenty-nine associate degree generic curriculum programs had students enrolled who have not yet graduated.

⁴ Thirteen associate degree bridge programs had students enrolled who have not graduated.

⁵ Three bachelor’s degree generic curriculum programs had students enrolled who have not graduated.

⁶ Two bachelor’s second degree programs had students enrolled who have not graduated.

Source: OPPAGA survey of nursing education programs.

Data is limited to evaluate Nursing Licensing Examination (NCLEX) passing rates for nursing program graduates affected by the 2009 law changes. One measure of program quality is the passage rates of graduates taking the National Council of State Boards of Nursing Licensing Examination (NCLEX). Chapter 2010-37, *Laws of Florida*, required that nursing programs maintain a passage rate on the examination that is not 10 percentage points lower than the national average during a calendar year. Programs can be placed on probationary status if their passage rates are 10 percentage points or lower than the national average for two consecutive calendar years.¹⁷

During calendar year 2011, only 17 of the 111 new nursing programs had graduates who took the NCLEX examination, and for most of these programs, multiple years of data are not available to evaluate trends.¹⁸ As a result, it is still too early to evaluate how new programs’ graduates are performing on the licensure exam. However, across all types of nursing programs, more students passed the licensure exam in 2011 than

in 2010. In calendar year 2011, the overall passage rate for associate degree in nursing programs was 92%, the passage rate for licensed practical nursing programs was 80%, and the passage rate for bachelor’s degrees in nursing programs was 87%. Appendix A provides a detailed listing of the passage rates for each nursing program in Florida.

Data is not yet available to evaluate employment outcomes for nursing program graduates affected by the 2009 law changes. With the capacity of nursing programs expanding to accommodate higher student enrollment, a key issue is whether graduates are remaining in the state and are employed in nursing-related fields.¹⁹ However, the most recent data available for evaluating student employment outcomes is for 2009, which is prior to when the new law took effect. This information is provided as a baseline comparison for future reports. The most recent employment information (2009) showed that most individuals who graduated from a Florida nursing program and received a license to practice nursing were employed in health care-

¹⁷ These guidelines do not apply to programs that are accredited by a specialized nursing accrediting agency in accordance with s. 464.003(1), *F.S.*

¹⁸ In calendar year 2011, no new bachelor’s degree in nursing program graduates took the NCLEX exam, while 10 new associate degree in nursing program and 7 new licensed practical nursing program graduates took the exam.

¹⁹ Nursing-related industries include hospitals, doctors’ offices, assisted living facilities, nursing homes, and other patient care facilities. Nursing-related industries may also include educational programs that teach health care or health care insurance industries.

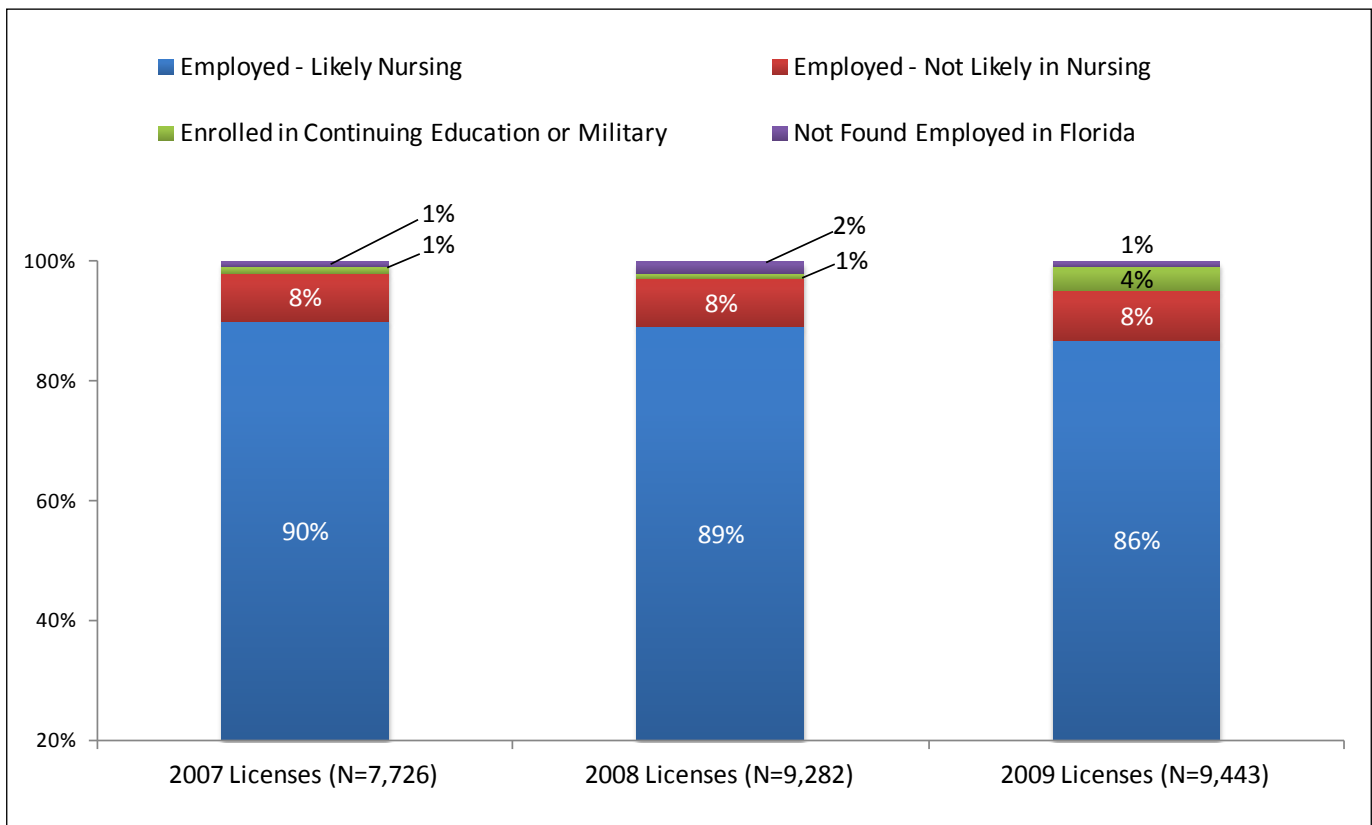
related fields in Florida.²⁰ For example, 90% of 2007 licensees, 89% of 2008 licensees, and 86% of

²⁰ To determine how many graduates were employed in nursing fields in Florida, we obtained data on individuals who were approved for a nursing license (practical nursing or professional nursing) in 2007, 2008, and 2009, and selected those individuals who reported graduating from a Florida nursing school. In 2007, 7,726 nursing program graduates received nursing licenses. In 2008, the number of graduates receiving licenses was 9,282, and in 2009, the number receiving licenses was 9,443. We matched these individuals to the Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program (FETPIP) unemployment insurance database to determine if they were employed in Florida and where they were employed. The 2007, 2008, and 2009 calendar years were the most recent years available for this analysis, as the unemployment insurance database runs a year behind.

2009 licensees were employed in a health care-related field in Florida. (See Exhibit 8.) However, while the number of licensees has increased each year since 2007, the number of licensees in the military or enrolled in continuing education is increasing.²¹ Because the Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program unemployment insurance database runs a year behind, it is still too early to evaluate the employment outcomes of the nursing program graduates affected by the 2009 law changes.

²¹ In 2009, almost all (99.5%) of the licensees identified as enrolled in continuing education or in the military were enrolled in continuing education.

Exhibit 8
Most Graduates of Florida Nursing Programs Who Received Nursing Licenses in 2007, 2008, and 2009 Were Employed in Health Care-Related Fields



Source: OPPAGA analysis of licensure data from the Department of Health and unemployment insurance data from the Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program (FETPIP).

Appendix A

Licensed Practical Nurse Program Graduate Exam Scores

Table A-1 shows for each institution the passage rates for licensed practical nurse program graduates who took the National Council of State Boards of Nursing Licensure Examination (NCLEX) during calendar years 2009, 2010, and 2011.^{22, 23} While the percentage of exam takers who passed the exam declined from 2010 to 2011 (87% and 80%, respectively), the overall number of students passing the exam continued to increase. Programs approved since the 2009 law are highlighted in yellow.

Table A-1
Passage Rates for Licensed Practical Nurse Program Graduates

| NCLEX Code | School | Calendar Year 2009 | | | Calendar Year 2010 | | | Calendar Year 2011 | | |
|------------|---|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | | Exam Takers | Number of Exam Takers Who Passed | Percentage of Exam Takers Who Passed | Exam Takers | Number of Exam Takers Who Passed | Percentage of Exam Takers Who Passed | Exam Takers | Number of Exam Takers Who Passed | Percentage of Exam Takers Who Passed |
| 70-201 | Academy for Practical Nursing | 155 | 119 | 77% | 116 | 97 | 84% | 149 | 116 | 78% |
| 70-107 | Bradford-Union Area Vocational Technical Center | 19 | 17 | 89% | 13 | 12 | 92% | 17 | 16 | 94% |
| 70-172 | Brevard Community College | 37 | 30 | 81% | 26 | 20 | 77% | 38 | 26 | 68% |
| 70-133 | Brewster Technical Center | 12 | 11 | 92% | 3 | 2 | 67% | 17 | 15 | 88% |
| 70-186 | Broward Atlantic Technical Center | 171 | 147 | 86% | 141 | 126 | 89% | 89 | 85 | 96% |
| 70-210 | Broward Blanche Ely High School | 18 | 13 | 72% | 14 | 14 | 100% | 9 | 8 | 89% |
| 70-202 | Broward McFatter Technical Center | 116 | 104 | 90% | 130 | 119 | 92% | 126 | 105 | 83% |
| 70-205 | Broward Sheridan Technical Center | 129 | 115 | 89% | 119 | 109 | 92% | 104 | 91 | 88% |
| 70-127 | Cambridge Institute of Allied Health | | | | 13 | 11 | 85% | 16 | 6 | 38% |
| 70-277 | Caregiver Education | | | | 6 | 5 | 83% | 30 | 10 | 33% |
| 70-272 | Carleen Home Health School | | | | | | | 24 | 19 | 79% |
| 70-155 | Center for Allied Health Nursing | | | | 41 | 41 | 100% | 78 | 76 | 97% |
| 70-131 | Centura Institute | 1 | 1 | 100% | 21 | 17 | 81% | 42 | 20 | 48% |
| 70-166 | Charlotte County Technical Center | 48 | 40 | 83% | 64 | 56 | 88% | 48 | 44 | 92% |
| 70-100 | Chipola College | 12 | 12 | 100% | 10 | 8 | 80% | 11 | 11 | 100% |
| 70-105 | Choice Technical Center | 42 | 41 | 98% | 42 | 38 | 90% | 36 | 35 | 97% |
| 70-102 | College of Central Florida | 28 | 28 | 100% | 29 | 28 | 97% | 27 | 27 | 100% |

²² This includes both licensed practical nurse—generic program students as well as licensed practical nurse—bridge program students.

²³ This data includes only first-time test takers.

| NCLEX Code | School | Calendar Year 2009 | | | Calendar Year 2010 | | | Calendar Year 2011 | | |
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| 70-282 | Community Educational School - Indian River County | 13 | 13 | 100% | 8 | 8 | 100% | 7 | 6 | 86% |
| 70-125 | Concorde Career Institute | 45 | 39 | 87% | 48 | 39 | 81% | 53 | 45 | 85% |
| 70-221 | Coral Ridge Training School | 12 | 4 | 33% | 24 | 13 | 54% | 47 | 10 | 21% |
| 70-268 | Dade County - Homestead Senior High | 15 | 15 | 100% | 10 | 10 | 100% | 14 | 13 | 93% |
| 70-153 | Dade County - Lindsey Hopkins Technical Center | 46 | 39 | 85% | 57 | 56 | 98% | 71 | 63 | 89% |
| 70-254 | Dade County - Miami Lakes Technical Center | 97 | 89 | 92% | 111 | 91 | 82% | 124 | 102 | 82% |
| 70-248 | Dade County - Robert Morgan Technical Center | 90 | 69 | 77% | 78 | 60 | 77% | 120 | 105 | 88% |
| 70-185 | Daytona State College | 71 | 61 | 86% | 63 | 61 | 97% | 65 | 64 | 98% |
| 70-163 | DeSoto County Schools | 12 | 12 | 100% | 11 | 10 | 91% | 11 | 6 | 55% |
| 70-110 | Dr. Earl Lennard High School - Ruskin | | | | | | | 4 | 0 | 0% |
| 70-154 | Erwin Vocational Technical Center | 147 | 118 | 80% | 156 | 143 | 92% | 137 | 117 | 85% |
| 70-182 | First Coast Technical College | 51 | 45 | 88% | 62 | 54 | 87% | 44 | 37 | 84% |
| 70-106 | Florida Gateway College | 48 | 44 | 92% | 51 | 47 | 92% | 56 | 50 | 89% |
| 70-216 | Florida National College - Hialeah | 26 | 17 | 65% | 25 | 25 | 100% | 22 | 12 | 55% |
| 70-231 | Florida National College - Miami | 29 | 17 | 59% | 29 | 26 | 90% | 26 | 23 | 88% |
| 70-179 | Florida State College at Jacksonville | 106 | 84 | 79% | 94 | 73 | 78% | 99 | 70 | 71% |
| 70-123 | Fortis College - Tampa | 63 | 46 | 73% | 51 | 40 | 78% | 63 | 48 | 76% |
| 70-230 | Gadsden Technical Institute | 7 | 3 | 43% | 9 | 2 | 22% | 21 | 11 | 52% |
| 70-104 | Galen School of Nursing | 145 | 140 | 97% | 135 | 134 | 99% | 212 | 193 | 91% |
| 70-260 | Green Cross School of Nursing | | | | | | | 31 | 15 | 48% |
| 70-197 | Gulf Coast Community College | 23 | 18 | 78% | 23 | 22 | 96% | 30 | 27 | 90% |
| 70-118 | Health Opportunity Technical Center | 86 | 24 | 28% | 78 | 31 | 40% | 74 | 25 | 34% |
| 70-264 | Hope Health Career Institute | | | | | | | 16 | 8 | 50% |
| 70-145 | Immokalee Technology Center | 4 | 3 | 75% | 30 | 26 | 87% | 14 | 11 | 79% |
| 70-177 | Indian River State College | 65 | 59 | 91% | 50 | 39 | 78% | 58 | 53 | 91% |
| 70-116 | Inlet Grove Community High School | 38 | 13 | 34% | 23 | 11 | 48% | 48 | 32 | 67% |
| 70-134 | Keiser Career College - Green Acres | 39 | 24 | 62% | 37 | 32 | 86% | 50 | 37 | 74% |
| 70-144 | Keiser Career College - Jacksonville | | | | 4 | 4 | 100% | 54 | 53 | 98% |

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| 70-269 | Keiser Career College - Miami Lakes | 36 | 34 | 94% | 62 | 60 | 97% | 61 | 54 | 89% |
| 70-207 | Keiser Career College - New Port Richey | 26 | 25 | 96% | 72 | 68 | 94% | 82 | 75 | 91% |
| 70-190 | Keiser Career College - St. Petersburg | 37 | 37 | 100% | 63 | 61 | 97% | 42 | 39 | 93% |
| 70-178 | Lake County Technical Center | 56 | 54 | 96% | 93 | 86 | 92% | 71 | 67 | 94% |
| 70-181 | Lee County High Technical Center Central - Ft. Myers | 51 | 44 | 86% | 74 | 68 | 92% | 79 | 73 | 92% |
| 70-219 | Lee County High Technical Center Central - Labelle | | | | | | | 3 | 3 | 100% |
| 70-142 | Lee County High Technical Center North | 28 | 26 | 93% | 35 | 34 | 97% | 33 | 33 | 100% |
| 70-130 | Lincoln Technical Institute | 37 | 35 | 95% | 44 | 38 | 86% | 68 | 50 | 74% |
| 70-199 | Lively Technical Center | 64 | 58 | 91% | 43 | 35 | 81% | 53 | 49 | 92% |
| 70-236 | Locklin Technical Center | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 100% |
| 70-170 | Lorenzo Walker Institute of Technology | 49 | 40 | 82% | 35 | 27 | 77% | 62 | 44 | 71% |
| 70-183 | Manatee Technical Institute | 76 | 67 | 88% | 95 | 81 | 85% | 75 | 69 | 92% |
| 70-115 | MedVance Institute - Miami | 35 | 31 | 89% | 32 | 30 | 94% | 33 | 25 | 76% |
| 70-111 | MedVance Institute - Palm Springs | 20 | 16 | 80% | 25 | 19 | 76% | 38 | 19 | 50% |
| 70-109 | MedVance Institute - Stuart | 37 | 31 | 84% | 44 | 34 | 77% | 40 | 26 | 65% |
| 70-160 | Mercy Hospital School of Practical Nursing | 59 | 50 | 85% | 74 | 66 | 89% | 68 | 52 | 76% |
| 70-140 | Miami Dade College | 33 | 33 | 100% | 80 | 68 | 85% | 5 | 4 | 80% |
| 70-268 | Miami-Dade County - Homestead Senior High | 15 | 15 | 100% | 10 | 10 | 100% | 14 | 13 | 93% |
| 70-153 | Miami-Dade County - Lindsey Hopkins Technical Center | 46 | 39 | 85% | 57 | 56 | 98% | 71 | 63 | 89% |
| 70-254 | Miami-Dade County - Miami Lakes Technical Center | 97 | 89 | 92% | 111 | 91 | 82% | 124 | 102 | 82% |
| 70-248 | Miami-Dade County - Robert Morgan Technical Center | 90 | 69 | 77% | 78 | 60 | 77% | 120 | 105 | 88% |
| 70-189 | North Florida Community College | 17 | 15 | 88% | 18 | 18 | 100% | 24 | 20 | 83% |
| 70-187 | Orlando Tech | 62 | 56 | 90% | 64 | 57 | 89% | 64 | 57 | 89% |
| 70-180 | Palm Beach County Schools | 3 | 1 | 33% | 2 | 1 | 50% | 9 | 0 | 0% |
| 70-150 | Palm Beach State College | 19 | 18 | 95% | 51 | 50 | 98% | 35 | 34 | 97% |
| 70-164 | Pasco Hernando Community College | 80 | 76 | 95% | 94 | 89 | 95% | 95 | 86 | 91% |
| 70-157 | Pensacola State College | 29 | 26 | 90% | 36 | 33 | 92% | 27 | 26 | 96% |

| NCLEX Code | School | Calendar Year 2009 | | | Calendar Year 2010 | | | Calendar Year 2011 | | |
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| | | Exam Takers | Number of Exam Takers Who Passed | Percentage of Exam Takers Who Passed | Exam Takers | Number of Exam Takers Who Passed | Percentage of Exam Takers Who Passed | Exam Takers | Number of Exam Takers Who Passed | Percentage of Exam Takers Who Passed |
| 70-194 | Pinellas Technical Education Center - Clearwater | 60 | 52 | 87% | 73 | 59 | 81% | 125 | 107 | 86% |
| 70-151 | Pinellas Technical Education Center - St. Petersburg | 99 | 67 | 68% | 126 | 116 | 92% | 86 | 80 | 93% |
| 70-119 | Rasmussen College | 15 | 15 | 100% | 29 | 27 | 93% | 45 | 43 | 96% |
| 70-108 | Ridge Career Center | 29 | 29 | 100% | 41 | 39 | 95% | 58 | 55 | 95% |
| 70-290 | Rose Training Institute | 17 | 7 | 41% | 9 | 4 | 44% | 37 | 12 | 32% |
| 70-249 | SABER, Inc. | 62 | 48 | 77% | 46 | 34 | 74% | 114 | 62 | 54% |
| 70-196 | Santa Fe College | 11 | 11 | 100% | 23 | 23 | 100% | 22 | 22 | 100% |
| 70-193 | Sarasota County Technical Institute | 60 | 54 | 90% | 76 | 73 | 96% | 62 | 58 | 94% |
| 70-175 | Seminole State College | 40 | 38 | 95% | 43 | 41 | 95% | 33 | 31 | 94% |
| 70-112 | Sigma Institute of Health Careers | 116 | 41 | 35% | 34 | 16 | 47% | 111 | 25 | 23% |
| 70-168 | South Florida Community College | 21 | 21 | 100% | 23 | 23 | 100% | 25 | 25 | 100% |
| 70-159 | South Technical Academy | 5 | 2 | 40% | 1 | 1 | 100% | 4 | 0 | 0% |
| 70-173 | Suwannee-Hamilton Technical Center | 14 | 13 | 93% | 18 | 18 | 100% | 15 | 11 | 73% |
| 70-128 | Tampa Bay Technical High School | 9 | 2 | 22% | 3 | 2 | 67% | 17 | 4 | 24% |
| 70-114 | Taylor College | 29 | 27 | 93% | 45 | 42 | 93% | 47 | 33 | 70% |
| 70-136 | Technical Education Center Osceola | 50 | 47 | 94% | 36 | 35 | 97% | 61 | 60 | 98% |
| 70-286 | Techni-Pro Institute | | | | | | | 5 | 4 | 80% |
| 70-191 | Tom P. Haney Technical Center | 42 | 37 | 88% | 35 | 32 | 91% | 40 | 38 | 95% |
| 70-195 | Traviss Career Center | 77 | 72 | 94% | 91 | 79 | 87% | 65 | 59 | 91% |
| 70-162 | Vintex Training Institute | | | | | | | 57 | 23 | 40% |
| 70-215 | Virginia College at Pensacola | 27 | 22 | 81% | 37 | 31 | 84% | 22 | 19 | 86% |
| 70-120 | Walton Career Development Center | 21 | 18 | 86% | 24 | 24 | 100% | 31 | 30 | 97% |
| 70-171 | Washington-Holmes Technical Center | 38 | 35 | 92% | 51 | 44 | 86% | 40 | 38 | 95% |
| 70-167 | Withlacoochee Technical Institute | 22 | 22 | 100% | 15 | 15 | 100% | 16 | 15 | 94% |
| Total Statewide¹ | | 3,784 | 3,127 | 83% | 4,070 | 3,561 | 87% | 4,638 | 3,706 | 80% |
| National Average | | | | 86% | | | 87% | | | 85% |

¹ Closed programs and remedial programs were not included in the table or statewide totals.

² All percentages are rounded to the nearest whole number.

Source: *National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses Quarterly Report* from the Florida Board of Nursing's website.

Associate Degree in Nursing (Generic and Bridge) Program Graduate Exam Scores

Table A-2 shows for each institution the passage rates for associate degree in nursing program graduates who took the National Council of State Boards of Nursing Licensure Examination (NCLEX) during calendar years 2009, 2010, and 2011.²⁴ This includes both associate degree in nursing generic curriculum program students as well as associate degree in nursing—bridge curriculum program students. While the percentage of exam takers who passed remained approximately the same from 2010 to 2011 (88% and 87%, respectively), the overall number of students passing the exam continued to increase. Programs approved since the 2009 law are highlighted in yellow.

Table A-2
Passage Rates for Associate Degree in Nursing Program Graduates

| NCLEX Code | School | Calendar Year 2009 | | | Calendar Year 2010 | | | Calendar Year 2011 | | |
|------------|---|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | | Exam Takers | Number of Exam Takers Who Passed | Percentage of Exam Takers Who Passed | Exam Takers | Number of Exam Takers Who Passed | Percentage of Exam Takers Who Passed | Exam Takers | Number of Exam Takers Who Passed | Percentage of Exam Takers Who Passed |
| 70-470 | Brevard Community College - Cocoa Campus | 81 | 74 | 91% | 79 | 71 | 90% | 74 | 65 | 88% |
| 70-438 | Brevard Community College - Palm Bay Campus | 43 | 35 | 81% | 39 | 36 | 92% | 59 | 55 | 93% |
| 70-475 | Broward College | 333 | 299 | 90% | 295 | 267 | 91% | 373 | 342 | 92% |
| 70-429 | Cambridge Medical Institute | | | | | | | 13 | 9 | 69% |
| 70-401 | Chipola College | 41 | 37 | 90% | 67 | 59 | 88% | 53 | 48 | 91% |
| 70-437 | City College - Ft. Lauderdale | 17 | 16 | 94% | 21 | 18 | 86% | 46 | 30 | 65% |
| 70-449 | City College - Miami | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 100% |
| 70-451 | College of Central Florida - Lecanto Campus | | | | 11 | 10 | 91% | 4 | 4 | 100% |
| 70-482 | College of Central Florida - Ocala Campus | 76 | 69 | 91% | 82 | 81 | 99% | 91 | 87 | 96% |
| 70-433 | Concorde Career Institute - Jacksonville | | | | 36 | 30 | 83% | 36 | 18 | 50% |
| 70-499 | Concorde Career Institute - Miramar | | | | | | | 26 | 15 | 58% |
| 70-421 | Concorde Career Institute - Tampa | | | | | | | 14 | 10 | 71% |
| 70-431 | Dade Medical College - Hollywood | | | | | | | 42 | 14 | 33% |
| 70-408 | Dade Medical College - Miami | 1 | 0 | 0% | 4 | 2 | 50% | 22 | 12 | 55% |
| 70-483 | Daytona State College | 214 | 184 | 86% | 195 | 175 | 90% | 188 | 178 | 95% |
| 70-472 | Edison State College | 223 | 195 | 87% | 267 | 244 | 91% | 270 | 240 | 89% |
| 70-430 | Everest University - Brandon | 18 | 13 | 72% | 24 | 21 | 88% | 15 | 14 | 93% |

²⁴ This data includes only first-time test takers.

| NCLEX Code | School | Calendar Year 2009 | | | Calendar Year 2010 | | | Calendar Year 2011 | | |
|------------|---|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | | Exam Takers | Number of Exam Takers Who Passed | Percentage of Exam Takers Who Passed | Exam Takers | Number of Exam Takers Who Passed | Percentage of Exam Takers Who Passed | Exam Takers | Number of Exam Takers Who Passed | Percentage of Exam Takers Who Passed |
| 70-478 | Florida Gateway College | 65 | 60 | 92% | 60 | 55 | 92% | 73 | 66 | 90% |
| 70-410 | Florida Hospital College of Health Sciences | 153 | 125 | 82% | 115 | 100 | 87% | 136 | 116 | 85% |
| 70-474 | Florida Keys Community College | 25 | 20 | 80% | 26 | 26 | 100% | 33 | 32 | 97% |
| 70-453 | Florida National College | | | | | | | 22 | 12 | 55% |
| 70-473 | Florida State College at Jacksonville | 377 | 320 | 85% | 378 | 304 | 80% | 394 | 331 | 84% |
| 70-447 | Fortis Institute - Pensacola | | | | 15 | 10 | 67% | 114 | 70 | 61% |
| 70-411 | Galen Health Institute | 128 | 118 | 92% | 81 | 74 | 91% | 133 | 115 | 86% |
| 70-481 | Gulf Coast Community College | 65 | 60 | 92% | 63 | 53 | 84% | 70 | 66 | 94% |
| 70-444 | Herzing College | 24 | 20 | 83% | 39 | 34 | 87% | 45 | 42 | 93% |
| 70-469 | Hillsborough Community College | 234 | 201 | 86% | 263 | 227 | 86% | 225 | 179 | 80% |
| 70-477 | Indian River State College | 127 | 115 | 91% | 132 | 125 | 95% | 136 | 123 | 90% |
| 70-488 | ITT Technical Institute - Ft. Myers | | | | | | | 3 | 1 | 33% |
| 70-441 | Kaplan University | | | | 22 | 7 | 32% | 22 | 11 | 50% |
| 70-413 | Keiser Career College - Miami Lakes | | | | | | | 19 | 14 | 74% |
| 70-423 | Keiser University - Ft. Lauderdale | 44 | 34 | 77% | 30 | 26 | 87% | 33 | 26 | 79% |
| 70-490 | Keiser University - Jacksonville | 41 | 25 | 61% | 38 | 31 | 82% | 28 | 22 | 79% |
| 70-407 | Keiser University - Kendall | 43 | 37 | 86% | 48 | 45 | 94% | 33 | 28 | 85% |
| 70-403 | Keiser University - Lakeland | 39 | 26 | 67% | 39 | 23 | 59% | 33 | 27 | 82% |
| 70-415 | Keiser University - Melbourne | 57 | 48 | 84% | 76 | 59 | 78% | 55 | 47 | 85% |
| 70-455 | Keiser University - Orlando | | | | 36 | 34 | 94% | 36 | 32 | 89% |
| 70-420 | Keiser University - Sarasota | 36 | 29 | 81% | 37 | 34 | 92% | 45 | 43 | 96% |
| 70-426 | Keiser University - Tallahassee | 16 | 12 | 75% | 18 | 17 | 94% | 18 | 15 | 83% |
| 70-418 | Keiser University - Tampa | | | | | | | 9 | 8 | 89% |
| 70-406 | Keiser University - West Palm Beach | 37 | 23 | 62% | 31 | 25 | 81% | 47 | 35 | 74% |
| 70-405 | Lake-Sumter Community College | 76 | 72 | 95% | 82 | 70 | 85% | 70 | 68 | 97% |
| 70-409 | Mercy Hospital College of Nursing - Miami | | | | 17 | 13 | 76% | 35 | 30 | 86% |
| 70-484 | Miami Dade College | 559 | 487 | 87% | 597 | 511 | 86% | 515 | 434 | 84% |

| NCLEX Code | School | Calendar Year 2009 | | | Calendar Year 2010 | | | Calendar Year 2011 | | |
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| | | Exam Takers | Number of Exam Takers Who Passed | Percentage of Exam Takers Who Passed | Exam Takers | Number of Exam Takers Who Passed | Percentage of Exam Takers Who Passed | Exam Takers | Number of Exam Takers Who Passed | Percentage of Exam Takers Who Passed |
| 70-416 | North Florida Community College | 18 | 12 | 67% | 18 | 16 | 89% | 23 | 19 | 83% |
| 70-450 | Northwest Florida State College | 44 | 44 | 100% | 43 | 42 | 98% | 55 | 55 | 100% |
| 70-492 | Palm Beach State College - Belle Glade | 12 | 10 | 83% | 16 | 13 | 81% | 13 | 13 | 100% |
| 70-486 | Palm Beach State College - Lake Worth | 178 | 154 | 87% | 171 | 153 | 89% | 143 | 138 | 97% |
| 70-464 | Pasco Hernando Community College | 150 | 122 | 81% | 159 | 139 | 87% | 161 | 138 | 86% |
| 70-487 | Pensacola State College - Warrington Campus | 192 | 168 | 88% | 137 | 123 | 90% | 218 | 178 | 82% |
| 70-476 | Polk State College | 182 | 170 | 93% | 151 | 145 | 96% | 142 | 139 | 98% |
| 70-495 | Rasmussen College - Ocala Campus | 14 | 12 | 86% | 19 | 14 | 74% | 44 | 36 | 82% |
| 70-428 | Sanford Brown Institute | | | | 9 | 6 | 67% | 40 | 21 | 53% |
| 70-471 | Santa Fe College | 127 | 118 | 93% | 144 | 129 | 90% | 137 | 129 | 94% |
| 70-462 | Seminole State College | 151 | 141 | 93% | 183 | 166 | 91% | 187 | 181 | 97% |
| 70-400 | South Florida Community College | 34 | 31 | 91% | 33 | 31 | 94% | 53 | 47 | 89% |
| 70-425 | St. Johns River Community College | 79 | 70 | 89% | 103 | 92 | 89% | 65 | 59 | 91% |
| 70-489 | St. Petersburg College | 323 | 267 | 83% | 331 | 284 | 86% | 397 | 348 | 88% |
| 70-480 | State College of Florida - Manatee-Sarasota | 134 | 118 | 88% | 125 | 121 | 97% | 145 | 143 | 99% |
| 70-468 | Tallahassee Community College | 51 | 39 | 76% | 61 | 59 | 97% | 49 | 44 | 90% |
| 70-457 | Taylor College | | | | | | | 15 | 12 | 80% |
| 70-404 | The Center for Allied Health and Nursing Education | | | | | | | 24 | 23 | 96% |
| 70-467 | Valencia Community College | 261 | 243 | 93% | 284 | 268 | 94% | 293 | 275 | 94% |
| Total Statewide | | 5,062 | 4,399 | 87% | 5,271 | 4,647 | 88% | 5,913 | 5,133 | 87% |
| National Average | | | | 88% | | | 86% | | | 87% |

¹ All percentages are rounded to the nearest whole number.

Source: *National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses Quarterly Report* from the Florida Board of Nursing's website.

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Generic and Second Degree) Program Graduate Exam Scores

Table A-3 shows for each institution the passage rates for bachelor of science in nursing program graduates who took the National Council of State Boards of Nursing Licensure Examination (NCLEX) in calendar years 2009, 2010, and 2011.²⁵ This includes both bachelor of science in nursing—generic program students and bachelor of science in nursing—second degree students. Both the percentage of exam takers who passed (89% and 92%, respectively) and number of students passing the exam increased from 2010 to 2011.

Table A-3
Passage Rates for Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program Graduates

| NCLEX Code | School | Calendar Year 2009 | | | Calendar Year 2010 | | | Calendar Year 2011 | | |
|------------|---|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | | Exam Takers | Number of Exam Takers Who Passed | Percentage of Exam Takers Who Passed | Exam Takers | Number of Exam Takers Who Passed | Percentage of Exam Takers Who Passed | Exam Takers | Number of Exam Takers Who Passed | Percentage of Exam Takers Who Passed |
| 70-592 | Barry University | 114 | 98 | 86% | 149 | 114 | 77% | 150 | 127 | 85% |
| 70-569 | Bethune-Cookman University | 29 | 21 | 72% | 76 | 48 | 63% | 63 | 49 | 78% |
| 70-525 | Chamberlain College of Nursing | | | | | | | 7 | 6 | 86% |
| 70-598 | Florida A&M University | 70 | 63 | 90% | 72 | 61 | 85% | 73 | 62 | 85% |
| 70-566 | Florida Atlantic University | 71 | 68 | 96% | 98 | 83 | 85% | 62 | 58 | 94% |
| 70-503 | Florida Gulf Coast University | 63 | 56 | 89% | 60 | 49 | 82% | 57 | 53 | 93% |
| 70-589 | Florida International University | 165 | 155 | 94% | 192 | 173 | 90% | 149 | 140 | 94% |
| 70-520 | Florida Southern College | | | | 20 | 13 | 65% | 21 | 16 | 76% |
| 70-590 | Florida State University | 131 | 122 | 93% | 154 | 142 | 92% | 108 | 103 | 95% |
| 70-560 | Jacksonville University | 70 | 59 | 84% | 66 | 61 | 92% | 72 | 66 | 92% |
| 70-578 | Nova Southeastern University - Ft. Lauderdale | 91 | 83 | 91% | 135 | 125 | 93% | 145 | 137 | 94% |
| 70-596 | Nova Southeastern University - Ft. Myers | | | | | | | 21 | 19 | 90% |
| 70-530 | Palm Beach Atlantic University | 39 | 37 | 95% | 21 | 21 | 100% | 30 | 29 | 97% |
| 70-568 | Pensacola Christian College | 89 | 81 | 91% | 96 | 85 | 89% | 84 | 69 | 82% |
| 70-515 | Remington College of Nursing | | | | 34 | 33 | 97% | 71 | 66 | 93% |
| 70-504 | South University - Tampa | 69 | 49 | 71% | 75 | 62 | 83% | 80 | 69 | 86% |
| 70-570 | South University - West Palm Beach | 57 | 48 | 84% | 59 | 51 | 86% | 57 | 52 | 91% |
| 70-567 | University of Central Florida | 220 | 216 | 98% | 209 | 198 | 95% | 237 | 227 | 96% |

²⁵ This data includes only first-time test takers.

| NCLEX Code | School | Calendar Year 2009 | | | Calendar Year 2010 | | | Calendar Year 2011 | | |
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| | | Exam Takers | Number of Exam Takers Who Passed | Percentage of Exam Takers Who Passed | Exam Takers | Number of Exam Takers Who Passed | Percentage of Exam Takers Who Passed | Exam Takers | Number of Exam Takers Who Passed | Percentage of Exam Takers Who Passed |
| 70-585 | University of Florida | 194 | 190 | 98% | 182 | 177 | 97% | 128 | 117 | 91% |
| 70-591 | University of Miami | 137 | 129 | 94% | 158 | 147 | 93% | 180 | 172 | 96% |
| 70-594 | University of North Florida | 108 | 97 | 90% | 119 | 100 | 84% | 128 | 113 | 88% |
| 70-565 | University of South Florida | 151 | 145 | 96% | 169 | 162 | 96% | 210 | 199 | 95% |
| 70-510 | University of Tampa | 56 | 56 | 100% | 35 | 35 | 100% | 39 | 38 | 97% |
| 70-505 | University of West Florida | 33 | 31 | 94% | 32 | 30 | 94% | 29 | 27 | 93% |
| Total Statewide | | 1,957 | 1,804 | 92% | 2,211 | 1,970 | 89% | 2,201 | 2,014 | 92% |
| National Average | | | | 89% | | | 89% | | | 89% |

¹ All percentages are rounded to the nearest whole number.

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