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DATE	November 5, 2025
ТО	Board Members
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SUBJECT	Education Division Report

Staff Updates

One of the Nursing Education Consultants, Dr. Clarissa Swanson, is on maternity leave. She will return to duty in February.

Site Visits

The Nursing Education Consultants (NECs) have continued conducting onsite program visits, mostly related to the continued approval process. During the period from July 1, 2025, to September 30, 2025, the NECs conducted 12 onsite program visits and 10 remote program visits.

Initial Approval of New School or Program

The Board created its new Proposed Program Application Process in October 2022. Since then, 60 proposed programs submitted a Letter of Intent for Initial Approval of New School or Program. Fifty-eight of the proposed programs were vocational nurse (VN) programs, and two applications were for a psychiatric technician (PT) program. Of the 60 proposed programs, 48 were private programs and 12 were community colleges. Thirteen of the 60 proposed programs have been approved to start a VN program. Eleven of the 60 programs had been assigned to an NEC and were later removed from the list due to inability to complete the proposed program process in the allotted time or through voluntary withdrawal. Sixteen of the proposed programs have not submitted all required documentation with the Letter of Intent, and due to a lack of communication from the programs, have been removed from the Letter of Intent process.

Currently, there are 14 proposed programs without deficiencies that are assigned to an NEC and are working toward program approval. We had four proposed programs submit a Letter of Intent along with their required documents between July1, 2025, through September 30, 2025. One new program was approved between July and September of 2025.

Education Division Projects

The Education Division has revised the statistical measures included in the Board report to better reflect the workload of the division. The changes include recording the reasons for site visits by the NECs and types of violations, to provide data for the adoption of a new cite and fine regulation. As well, the AGPAs have increased their number of projects and complexity of tasks, and this is better reflected in the statistics. In addition, the supervising nursing education consultant is using statistical measures for inclusion in the Board report.

The Education Division continues to work on projects such as updating forms for regulations and fees changes, reviewing Article 5 with counsel to improve VN and PT regulations and creating an online dashboard with the Office of Information Services (OIS) to relay information to prospective students and the public. The Education tab on the BVNPT's website continues to be reviewed for updates, including webpages like the LVN Fact Sheet and about post-licensure certification, and continuing education providers and updating statistics. This facilitates public access and helps reduce the number of calls to our division. The Education Division has been working with the Enforcement to help with evaluation of licensees' scope of practice within their job descriptions.

Education Division Events

On October 1 2025, the new Respiratory Care regulations regarding basic respiratory tasks and services took effect. The NECs have seen an increase in the number of inquiries from licensees about this issue, with approximately 70% of the inquiries about scope of practice. A notice about this regulation was posted on the BVNPT's website and sent to the listserv for licensees to clarify these regulations, but inquiries continue.

Currently, the Education Division is working with the California Department of Consumer Affairs Office of Professional Examination Services (OPES) to assist with the fiscal year 2025-26 workshops for the California Psychiatric Technician Licensing Exam (CAPTLE). The first workshop was held on October 2, 2025, with four PT subject matter experts. A report of the results of the Occupational Analysis for Psychiatric Technicians is now available to all of the psychiatric technician programs.

The NECs had a forum for LVN and PT program directors and instructors on September 25, 2025, on Innovative Teaching Practices and Lesson Planning. This included information on use escape rooms, clinical simulation and artificial intelligence. There were 150 attendees at this forum.



Education Division Statistical Data

January 1, 2021 through September 30, 2025

Executive Summary

Approved Active Programs - VN

Month	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021
Jan	157	156	146	134	123
Feb	158	156	146	134	124
Mar	158	157	146	135	126
Apr	159	156	149	136	126
May	158	155	150	138	129
June	157	155	150	139	131
Jul	157	155	151	139	131
Aug	156	154	150	139	132
Sep	157	153	150	139	132
Oct		153	153	139	132
Nov		154	154	140	133
Dec		153	156	143	134

Approved Active Programs - PT

Month	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021
Jan	10	10	11	11	12
Feb	10	10	11	11	12
Mar	11	10	11	11	12
Apr	11	10	11	11	12
May	11	10	11	11	12
June	11	10	11	11	12
Jul	11	10	10	11	12
Aug	11	10	10	11	11
Sep	11	10	10	11	11
Oct		10	10	11	11
Nov		10	10	11	11
Dec		10	10	11	11

Provisionally Approved Active Programs - VN

Month	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021
Jan	4	2	5	9	14
Feb	4	3	5	9	14
Mar	4	2	5	7	12
Apr	4	3	4	7	12
May	5	6	4	6	11
June	6	6	4	5	9
Jul	6	6	4	5	9
Aug	8	6	4	5	9
Sep	7	6	4	5	9
Oct		5	3	5	9
Nov		6	3	5	9
Dec		5	2	5	9
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Provisionally Approved Active Programs - PT

Month	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021
Jan	1	1	1	1	1
Feb	1	1	1	1	1
Mar	0	1	1	1	1
Apr	0	1	1	1	1
May	0	1	1	1	1
June	0	1	1	1	1
Jul	0	1	1	1	1
Aug	0	1	1	1	2
Sep	0	1	1	1	2
Oct		1	1	1	2
Nov		1	1	1	2
Dec		1	1	1	2

Assigned Proposed Programs - VN

Month	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021
Jan	11	9	10	10	10
Feb	8	11	14	10	9
Mar	6	11	12	18	9
Apr	9	11	11	18	9
May	8	11	11	14	18
June	10	11	12	14	18
Jul	11	13	11	13	17
Aug	14	12	12	12	16
Sep	12	11	11	12	15
Oct		12	11	12	15
Nov		11	10	11	13
Dec		11	10	10	11

Assigned Proposed Programs - PT

Month	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021
Jan	1	0	0	0	0
Feb	1	0	0	0	0
Mar	1	0	0	0	0
Apr	1	0	0	0	0
May	1	1	0	0	0
June	1	1	0	0	0
Jul	1	0	0	0	0
Aug	1	0	0	0	0
Sep	1	0	0	0	0
Oct		0	0	0	0
Nov		0	0	0	0
Dec		1	0	0	0

Unassigned Proposed Programs – VN

Month	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021
Jan	5	3	7	53	43
Feb	4	3	3	47	52
Mar	4	7	4	36	57
Apr	6	6	5	36	58
May	5	7	4	36	42
June	4	6	5	36	47
Jul	5	6	7	36	49
Aug	3	7	9	36	50
Sep	4	5	11	36	50
Oct		5	8	1	51
Nov		4	5	4	53
Dec		7	9	4	53

Unassigned Proposed Programs – PT

Month	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021
Jan	0	0	0	3	2
Feb	0	0	0	3	2
Mar	0	0	0	2	3
Apr	0	1	0	2	3
May	0	0	0	2	3
June	0	0	0	2	3
Jul	0	0	0	2	3
Aug	0	0	0	2	3
Sep	0	0	0	2	3
Oct		1	0	0	3
Nov		1	0	0	3
Dec		0	0	0	3

^{**}These eight categories are captured on a monthly basis and do not accumulate into yearly totals.

Complaints Received Regarding Approved Programs

Change Requests from Programs (# of times reviewed)

Month	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021
Jan	6	27	12	8	10
Feb	2	20	8	1	16
Mar	12	13	4	5	10
Apr	9	7	7	10	5
May	8	11	4	9	3
June	9	25	7	12	7
Jul	4	16	14	16	2
Aug	8	11	9	9	3
Sep	28	27	14	13	8
Oct		21	22	11	4
Nov		8	16	8	11
Dec		3	28	1	10
Total	86	189	145	103	89

Month	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021
Jan	721	1,235	964	1,131	784
Feb	750	1,351	705	935	532
Mar	992	1,447	1,104	1,062	644
Apr	502	1,158	1,080	1,036	665
May	830	1,683	1,167	1,253	832
June	990	1,690	857	1,210	1,056
Jul	842	1,460	1,080	1,125	777
Aug	851	1,620	2,356	1,285	843
Sep	1,212	1,297	1,416	1,318	944
Oct		1,104	1,123	1,252	721
Nov		1,095	1,265	1,188	759
Dec		877	1,429	865	779
Total	7,690	16,017	14,546	13,660	9,336

Faculty Approval Applications (# of times reviewed)

Facility Approval Applications (# of times reviewed)

Month	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021
Jan	338	343	421	321	219
Feb	285	410	313	292	218
Mar	285	414	469	394	309
Apr	264	298	415	367	306
May	293	518	349	315	260
June	351	367	373	390	230
Jul	258	521	450	299	349
Aug	457	639	409	371	386
Sep	343	345	427	440	285
Oct		321	250	371	422
Nov		272	265	414	289
Dec		186	227	263	392
Total	2,874	4,634	4,368	4,237	3,665

Month	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021
Jan	252	184	369	274	183
Feb	215	292	263	351	286
Mar	184	391	463	554	480
Apr	247	280	579	472	440
May	294	410	536	460	421
June	187	268	478	411	313
Jul	191	453	441	385	234
Aug	286	435	394	399	407
Sep	316	285	263	376	345
Oct		339	309	490	329
Nov		197	306	616	308
Dec		140	260	511	250
Total	2,172	3,674	4,661	5,299	3,996

Reports for Executive Officer Review

Reports for Board Meetings

Month	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021
Jan	14	14	19	20	10
Feb	13	4	12	10	6
Mar	15	19	4	28	5
Apr	8	20	17	10	8
May	11	22	24	32	11
June	9	40	18	19	19
Jul	18	26	6	6	8
Aug	11	11	8	13	9
Sep	23	16	13	9	10
Oct		19	8	3	13
Nov		7	6	24	18
Dec		11	12	2	1
Total	122	209	147	176	118

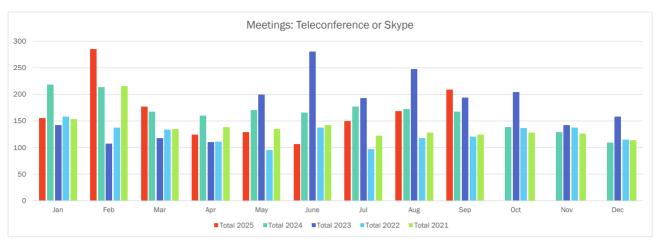
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Jan	0	0	0	4	9
Feb	3	4	1	8	8
Mar	0	0	2	1	1
Apr	0	4	0	1	2
May	6	6	3	3	12
June	1	0	0	4	3
Jul	0	0	1	5	2
Aug	4	5	4	1	6
Sep	0	0	0	0	1
Oct		0	1	0	1
Nov		9	3	5	5
Dec		0	0	0	1
Total	14	28	15	32	51

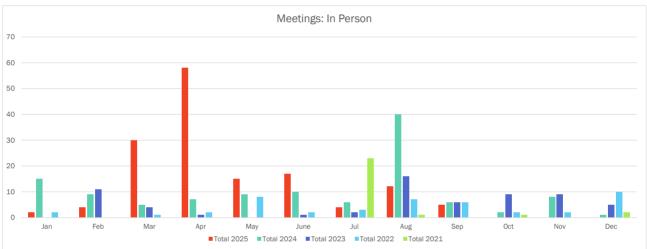
Inspections: Onsite

Inspections: Program Records Survey completed

Month	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021
Jan	10	3	2	5	1
Feb	4	9	8	2	1
Mar	7	1	6	6	1
Apr	3	12	3	5	4
May	2	10	2	10	1
June	9	7	3	5	3
Jul	2	5	4	6	7
Aug	5	3	6	6	11
Sep	5	8	6	6	5
Oct		5	7	5	3
Nov		5	6	0	1
Dec		3	4	3	5
Total	47	71	57	59	43

Total	45	15	37	52	60
Dec		3	3	2	0
Nov		0	3	5	3
Oct		0	2	5	9
Sep	11	0	2	2	5
Aug	5	0	2	5	10
Jul	0	0	5	2	7
June	3	0	3	6	2
May	1	1	1	6	2
Apr	3	0	4	6	5
Mar	10	5	6	8	5
Feb	5	5	4	1	5
Jan	7	1	2	4	7
Month	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021



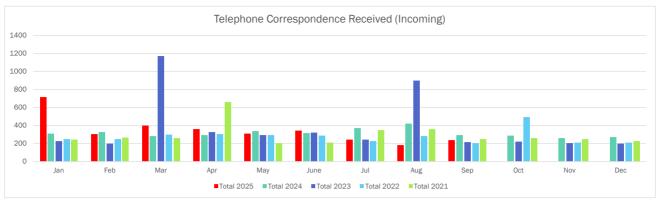


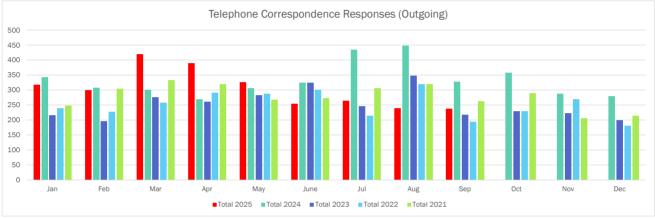
Written Correspondence Received (Incoming)

Written Correspondence Responses (Outgoing)

Month	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021
Jan	3,618	4,603	3,200	3,738	3,655
Feb	3,304	4,466	1,746	3,863	4,393
Mar	3,681	4,298	3,287	4,017	3,737
Apr	3,280	4,394	3,275	3,381	3,426
May	3,108	4,054	4,939	3,705	3,334
June	3,532	4,445	4,000	3,904	3,545
Jul	3,479	4,810	3,676	2,824	3,252
Aug	4,097	4,974	5,148	3,264	3,302
Sep	5,478	3,981	5,133	2,668	3,463
Oct		4,132	5,137	3,190	3,842
Nov		3,605	3,907	2,985	3,489
Dec		2,943	3,792	2,470	3,298
Total	33,577	50,705	47,240	40,009	42,736

Month	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021
Jan	2,620	2,660	2,328	2,955	3,065
Feb	2,110	2,806	1,598	3,188	3,565
Mar	2,526	2,929	4,062	2,927	2,998
Apr	2,171	2,667	4,119	2,790	2,141
May	2,580	3,388	3,631	2,902	2,557
June	2,333	2,032	3,053	3,227	2,835
Jul	1,949	2,916	2,292	2,047	2,696
Aug	2,396	3,213	2,525	2,584	2,740
Sep	3,157	2,709	3,191	2,784	2,598
Oct		2,721	2,907	2,008	2,870
Nov		2,604	2,438	2,420	2,681
Dec		1,887	1,903	1,638	2,505
Total	21,842	32,532	34,047	31,470	33,251





Scope of Practice Questions

Month	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021
Jan	106	45	141	98	67
Feb	90	74	141	76	110
Mar	83	71	160	146	92
Apr	70	93	106	115	104
May	84	83	143	97	105
June	66	62	64	96	120
Jul	59	100	76	86	119
Aug	71	123	75	120	55
Sep	106	87	90	143	112
Oct		130	72	113	134
Nov		101	91	98	119
Dec		51	52	101	98
Total	735	1,020	1,211	1,289	1,235

Intravenous Therapy/Blood Withdrawal Course Certification and CE Provider Applications

	CE Provider Applications						
Month	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021		
Jan	12	24	33	18	34		
Feb	48	37	90	18	39		
Mar	28	2	39	30	24		
Apr	19	35	13	62	8		
May	31	20	15	28	29		
June	17	13	30	16	18		
Jul	22	15	10	5	8		
Aug	45	11	26	49	21		
Sep	19	2	21	21	15		
Oct		17	22	26	30		
Nov		30	18	15	35		
Dec		31	24	22	1		
Total	241	237	341	310	262		

Psychiatric Technician Examination Development Session Preparation *

Month	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021
Jan	381	7	16	2	0
Feb	254	4	0	1	0
Mar	333	5	41	0	0
Apr	60	2	14	1	0
May	24	1	1	0	1
June	30	3	2	1	0
Jul	5	448	0	0	0
Aug	15	497	0	0	0
Sep	30	635	11	36	2
Oct		388	9	26	0
Nov		307	3	13	0
Dec		303	2	16	4
Total	1,132	2,600	99	96	7

Intravenous Therapy/Blood Withdrawal Approved License Certifications Issued in Breeze

	Certifications Issued in Breeze					
Month	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021	
Jan	344	544	145	248	269	
Feb	261	503	798	345	297	
Mar	210	258	866	449	313	
Apr	3	166	566	404	407	
May	31	68	348	221	576	
June	1041	789	526	239	522	
Jul	423	953	263	259	334	
Aug	372	519	275	217	449	
Sep	531	341	313	195	298	
Oct		437	523	247	351	
Nov		225	301	312	273	
Dec		238	210	570	378	
Total	3,216	5,041	5,134	3,706	4,467	

^{*} Primary coordination of Subject Matter Experts transferred to the Office of Professional Examination Services beginning with the 2025-2026 fiscal year contract.