



Agenda Item 9.0

Report on Legislation

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BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING
Agenda Item Summary

AGENDA ITEM: 9.1
DATE: November 20 & 21, 2024

ACTION REQUESTED: Information Only: Legislative Update

REQUESTED BY: Dolores Trujillo, RN, Chairperson

BACKGROUND: Summary and outcome of bills that the BRN considered during the second year of the 2023-2024 Legislative Session.

NEXT STEPS: Tracking and analysis of BRN related bills during first year of 2025-2026 Legislative Session.

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2024 Legislative Update

The following list contains bills that were considered by the Board of Registered Nursing during the second year of the 2023-2024 Legislative Session and were ultimately signed into law by the Governor. Unless otherwise noted in the legislation, all statutory changes will go into effect January 1, 2025.

Assembly Bills

[AB 1577 \(Low\) Health facilities and clinics: clinical placements: nursing](#)

The bill requires health facilities and clinics to meet with a community college or California State University with an approved school of nursing, upon the college's request, and work in good faith to meet the needs of the college's nursing program, including adding additional clinical placement slots to accommodate the nursing program. Requires the hospital or clinic, if unable to provide additional clinical placement slots, to inform the Department of Health Care Access and Information of its lack of capability or capacity using a form developed by the department, subject to a \$1,000 fine for failure to provide the information.

BOARD POSITION - WATCH

[AB 1991 \(Bonta\) Licensee and registrant renewal: National Provider Identifier](#)

The bill requires health profession licensing boards within the Department of Consumer Affairs to require a licensee or registrant who electronically renews their license or registration to provide their individual National Provider Identifier, if they have one.

BOARD POSITION - SUPPORT

[AB 2015 \(Schiavo\) Nursing schools and programs: faculty members, directors, and assistant directors](#)

The bill establishes a process for licensees to obtain approval from the Board of Registered Nursing to serve as a faculty member, assistant director, or director at any approved prelicensure nursing program throughout the state.

BOARD POSITION - SUPPORT

[AB 2270 \(Maienschein\) Healing arts: continuing education: menopausal mental or physical health](#)

The bill requires the Medical Board of California, Board of Registered Nursing, Board of Psychology, Physician Assistants Board, and Board of Behavioral Sciences, in

determining their continuing education requirements, to consider including a course in menopausal mental or physical health.

BOARD POSITION – NO POSITION

[AB 2471 \(Patterson\) Professions and vocations: public health nurses](#)

The bill removes the requirement for public health nurses to renew their certificates on a biennial basis with the Board of Registered Nursing.

BOARD POSITION - SUPPORT

[AB 2581 \(Maienschein\) Healing arts: continuing education: maternal mental health](#)

The bill requires the Board of Registered Nursing, Board of Psychology, Physician Assistants Board, and the Board of Behavioral Sciences, in establishing standards for continuing education, to consider including a course in maternal mental health.

BOARD POSITION – NO POSITION

[AB 2730 \(Lackey\) Sexual assault: medical evidentiary examinations](#)

The bill adds a certified nurse midwife, working in consultation with a physician or surgeon, to the list of qualified health care professionals that can perform a sexual assault exam.

BOARD POSITION - SUPPORT

[AB 3119 \(Low\) Physicians and surgeons, nurse practitioners, and physician assistants: continuing medical education: infection-associated chronic conditions](#)

The bill requires the Medical Board of California, the Osteopathic Medical Board of California, the Board of Registered Nursing, and the Physician Assistant Board to consider requiring licensees to take a continuing education course related to infection-associated chronic conditions, including, but not limited to, long COVID, myalgic encephalomyelitis, and dysautonomia.

BOARD POSITION – NO POSITION

Senate Bills

[SB 607 \(Portantino\) Controlled substances](#)

The bill expands the requirement for prescribers to discuss information about the risks associated with opioid use and addiction only when issuing or dispensing opioids to patients who are minors, to now require that discussion occur regardless of the patient's age.

BOARD POSITION – SUPPORT

[SB 639 \(Limon\) Medical professionals: course requirements](#)

The bill, among other provisions, requires a nurse practitioner who provides primary care to a patient population of which over 25% are 65 years of age or older to certify that they have completed at least 20% of all existing mandatory continuing education hours in a course in the field of gerontology, the special care needs of patients with dementia, or the care of older patients.

BOARD POSITION - OPPOSE

[SB 1015 \(Cortese\) Nursing schools and programs](#)

The bill requires the Board of Registered Nursing, through its Nursing Education and Workforce Advisory Committee, to study and recommend standards regarding how approved schools of nursing or nursing programs manage or coordinate clinical placements and to annually collect, analyze, and report information related to management of coordination of clinical placements.

BOARD POSITION - SUPPORT

[SB 1451 \(Ashby\) Professions and vocations](#)

The bill, among other provisions, makes various changes to the criteria for licensure of nurse practitioners that practice without standardized procedures. This includes amending the transition to practice criteria to provide that clinical experience cannot be limited to experience in a single category and to state that an applicant's attestor is not required to specialize in the same category as the applicant. The bill also amends the exam requirements to allow for national nurse practitioner certification examinations that were discontinued before January 1, 2017, to be accepted.

In addition, the bill clarifies that no person shall use the words "doctor" or "physician," the letters or prefix Dr., the initials M.D. or D.O., or any other terms or letters indicating or implying that the person is a physician and surgeon, physician, surgeon, or

practitioner in a health care setting that would lead a reasonable patient to determine that person is a licensed M.D. or D.O.

BOARD POSITION – SUPPORT, IF AMENDED

SB 1468 (Ochoa-Bogh) Healing arts boards: informational and educational materials for prescribers of narcotics: federal “Three Day Rule.”

The bill requires each health professional licensing board that licenses a prescriber to develop informational and educational material regarding the federal Drug Enforcement Administration’s “Three Day Rule” to ensure prescriber awareness of existing medication-assisted treatment pathways to serve patients with substance use disorder.

BOARD POSITION – NO POSITION

<u>House of Origin</u>	<u>Bill Number</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Last Board Position</u>	<u>Bill Status</u>
Assembly Bill	1577	Low	Health facilities and clinics: clinical placements: nursing	Watch	Chaptered
Assembly Bill	1944	Waldron	Individualized investigational treatment	N/A	Held in Assembly Policy Committee
Assembly Bill	1991	Bonta	Licensee and registrant renewal: National Provider Identifier	Support	Chaptered
Assembly Bill	2015	Schiavo	Approved nursing schools	Support	Chaptered
Assembly Bill	2104	Soria	Community colleges: Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program	Watch	Vetoed
Assembly Bill	2200	Kalra	Guaranteed Health Care for All	No Position	Held in Assembly Policy Committee
Assembly Bill	2269	Flora	Board membership qualifications: public members	Oppose	Held in Senate Policy Committee
Assembly Bill	2270	Maienschein	Healing arts: continuing education: menopausal mental or physical health	No Position	Chaptered
Assembly Bill	2442	Zbur	Healing arts: expedited licensure process: gender-affirming health care and gender-affirming mental health care	Support	Vetoed
Assembly Bill	2471	Patterson	Professions and vocations: public health nurses	Support	Chaptered
Assembly Bill	2526	Gipson	Nurse anesthetists: general anesthesia or deep sedation	N/A	Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee
Assembly Bill	2532	Mathis	Community colleges: registered nursing programs	Support	Held in Senate Policy Committee
Assembly Bill	2578	Flora	Nursing: students in out-of-state nursing programs	Oppose	Held in Senate Appropriations Committee
Assembly Bill	2581	Mainschein	Healing arts: continuing education: maternal mental health	No Position	Chaptered
Assembly Bill	2679	Rubio	Approved nursing schools	N/A	Held in Assembly Rules Committee
Assembly Bill	2862	Gipson	Department of Consumer Affairs: African American applicants	Support, If Amended	Held in Senate Policy Committee
Assembly Bill	2730	Lackey	Sexual assault: medical evidentiary examinations	Support	Chaptered
Assembly Bill	3119	Low	Physicians and surgeons, nurse practitioners, and physician assistants: continuing medical education: infection-associated chronic conditions	No Position	Chaptered
Assembly Bill	3127	McKinnor	Reporting of crimes: mandated reporters	Oppose	Held in Senate Appropriations Committee
Senate Bill	607	Portantino	Controlled substances	Support	Chaptered
Senate Bill	639	Limon	Medical professionals: course requirements	Oppose	Chaptered
Senate Bill	895	Roth	Community colleges: Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program	Support	Vetoed
Senate Bill	1015	Cortese	Nursing schools and programs	Support	Chaptered
Senate Bill	1042	Roth	Health facilities and clinics: clinical placements: nursing	Support	Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee
Senate Bill	1067	Smallwood-Cuevas	Healing arts: expedited licensure process: medically underserved area or population	Watch	Vetoed
Senate Bill	1183	Hurtado	Community colleges: registered nursing programs	Watch	Chaptered
Senate Bill	1451	Ashby	Professions and vocations	Support, If Amended	Chaptered
Senate Bill	1468	Ochoa-Bogh	Healing arts boards: informational and educational materials for prescribers of narcotics: federal "Three Day Rule"	No Position	Chaptered