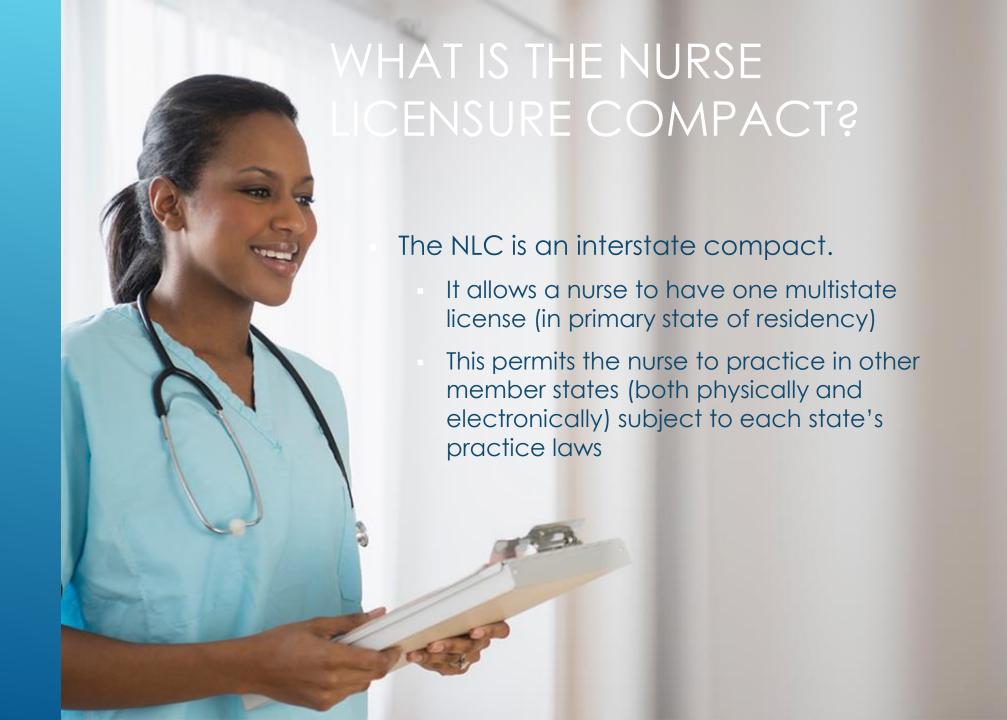
### ENHANCED NURSE LICENSURE COMPACT

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### MUTUAL RECOGNITION MODEL OF LICENSURE

The NLC is modeled after the driver's license compact which follows the mutual recognition model of licensure.

#### PUBLIC POLICY GOAL

Nurse Licensure Compact

A State-Based License

Nationally Recognized

Locally Enforced

## NLC BENEFITS FOR TELEHEALTH IN KENTUCKY



- Increases patient access to care
- Enables care continuity for patients regardless of their location

 Provides member states with authority to facilitate a discipline case across state lines



- School Nurses
- Camp Nurses
- Home Health Nurses
- Case Management Nurses
- Transport Nurses
- Nurses that live on state borders



### BENEFITS TO NURSES WHO PHYSICALLY CROSS STATE BORDERS

- Allows faculty to supervise clinical experiences across state borders without multiple licenses
- Allows faculty to teach in online programs when students are in other states without additional licenses.



#### NLC BENEFITS FOR FACULTY

- Ability to legally practice across state borders with one license
- Reduces cost
- Reduces the administrative burden of maintaining multiple licenses.



#### **NLC BENEFITS FOR KENTUCKY NURSES**

### NLC BENEFITS FOR KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING

- Ability to share complaint and investigative information throughout the investigative course
- Shared responsibility for patient safety not governed by geographical boundaries
- Ability to locate, isolate or limit ability to practice on Privilege to Practice
- Reduces duplicative board actions

- Several states expressed concerns that they couldn't join current NLC for various reasons
- Current NLC states wanted to ensure longterm growth and viability of the NLC
- Military/veterans' health care challenges
- Telehealth services are increasingly being utilized, erasing geographic boundaries
- Other health care professions developing interstate licensure compacts (medicine, physical therapy, EMS, psychology)

### SO WHY DID WE MAKE CHANGES TO THE CURRENT NLC?

- Uniform Licensure Requirements
- Grandfathering provision
- Requirement to obtain and submit criminal background checks (CBCs)
- Provides for rulemaking by the Interstate Commission

### WHAT'S <u>NEW</u> IN THE ENHANCED NLC?



### To receive a multistate license, a nurse must:

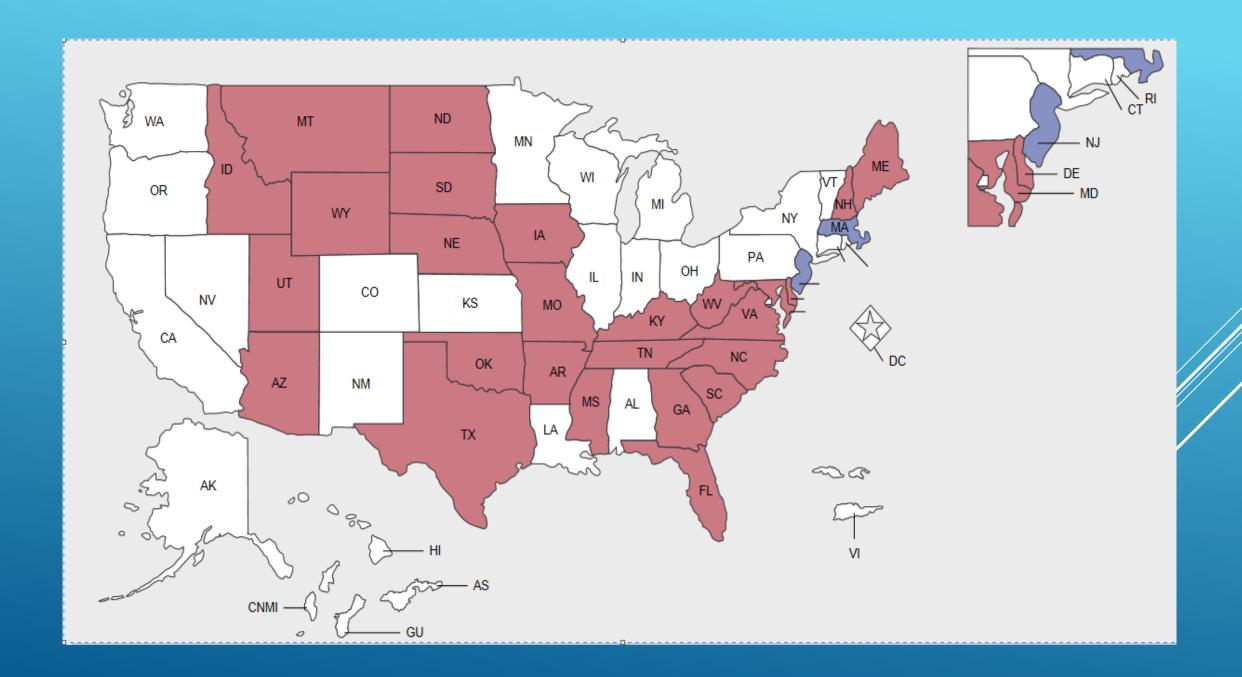
- Meet the home state's qualifications
- Graduate from qualifying education program and be proficient in the English language
- Pass the NCLEX-RN® or NCLEX-PN® exam (or predecessor)

### UNIFORM LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

#### To receive a multistate license, a nurse must:

- Have no active discipline on a license
- Submit to a criminal background check and have no prior state or federal felony convictions
- Not be currently enrolled in an alternative program
- Have a valid U.S. Social Security number

### UNIFORM LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS



### EFFECTIVE DATE – JULY 20, 2017 26<sup>TH</sup> STATE ENACTED THE ENLC

#### IMPLEMENTATION DATE – JANUARY 19, 2018

GO LIVE DATE!!!



#### **IMPORTANT POINTS**

- If you held a current KY multistate license effective July 20, 2017, you will be grandfathered into the eNLC and no further action is required unless you move to another state or have a disqualifying event after July 20, 2017.
- As with the original NLC, if you practice in other party states, you must adhere to the laws and regulations of the state in which the patient is located.
- If you need to practice in a state that is not a member of the eNLC, you will need a single state license issued from that state regardless if you hold a KY multistate license.
- NCSBN.org/enlc has a wealth of information about the eNLC.
- Check kbn.ky.gov frequently for any updates concerning the eNLC.
- Ask questions. KBN staff are ready and willing to help.





#### **NURSYS AND E-NOTIFY**

- VERIFICATION OF LICENSURE STATUS
- PRIMARY SOURCE EQUIVALENT
- RECEIVE LICENSE NOTIFICATIONS
  - > Set email alerts for license status changes
  - Choose notification frequencySend expiration reminders to nurses
- VIEW NURSE LICENSE REPORTS
  - Learn of license expirations
  - See information about discipline/final order actions
  - Get nurse license summary reports

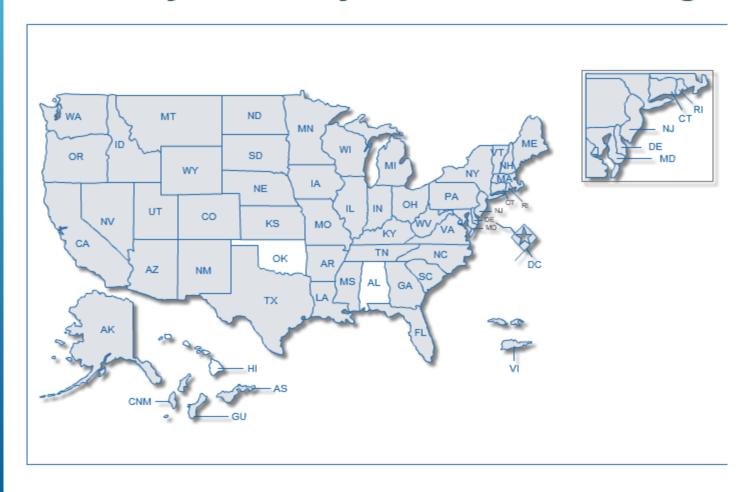


#### NURSYS AND E-NOTIFY

- Manage your nurse license list
  - > Search the system for nurses to add to your list
  - > Add multiple nurses at once using file upload
  - Remove a nurse from your list or deactivate your notifications
  - Integrate with your systems using our application programming interface (API)



#### 54 Nursys e-Notify Boards of Nursing



- Participating (Please see grid below for participation level)
- Non-Participating (AL, HI, LAPN, OK)

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QUESTIONS?????