

**Report of 2023 NCLEX-RN® Examination Pass Rates
For Professional Nursing Education Programs**

Summary:

The period for this pass rate report extends from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 as the examination year was moved to a calendar year for professional nursing education programs per Board approval at the January 2021 meeting. The attached report provides final 2023 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rates of first-time test-takers from the professional nursing education programs in Texas as well as for clinical competency assessment programs operated out-of-state, for the purpose of meeting requirements of HB 2950 passed during the 85th regular session of the Texas Legislature. Programs with an asterisk (*) are recognized with commendations for their pass rates of 90% or above. New programs that have not had graduates are not included in the report. Rule 215.4(c) states that “Approval status is determined biennially by the Board on the basis of the program’s compliance audit, NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate, and other pertinent data”. Certificates of Approval are provided to all programs every two years and will next be provided in 2024.

Trends:

- The overall 2023 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate for Texas programs was calculated to be 91.15% (13,788/15,127 candidates), which is above the national average of 88.56%.
- Texas is one of three states with more than 10,000 first-time candidates for the NCLEX-RN® examination. The other two states are California and Florida.
- Eighty-three professional nursing education programs in Texas experienced a ninety percent (90%) or higher 2023 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate with 17 programs scoring 100%.
- Two professional programs may be required to submit a Self-Study Report for a pass rate below 80%.

The following table provides a comparison of Texas RN pass rates with the national average.

Year	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Average for Texas Programs	91.15% 13,788/15,127	84.28% 12,499/14,831	86.70% 13,293/15,333	91.00% 12,039/13,231	91.90% 11,905/12,954
National Average	88.56% 165,059/186,375	79.91% 150,214/187,986	82.13% 167,214/203,608	86.76% 151,617/174,750	88.07% 150,508/170,899

The final NCLEX-RN® report for 2023 follows. This report is for information only. No action is required.

**FIRST TIME RN CANDIDATES EDUCATED IN TEXAS
REGARDLESS OF STATE OF INITIAL LICENSURE**

NCLEX-RN® for 2023 (January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023)

(* = Programs with pass rates over 90%)

BSN Programs	Location	First-Time Candidates Passed/Attempted	Exam Pass Rate for First-Time Candidates
Abilene Christian University US27502100	Abilene	55/55	*100%
Angelo State University US27501400	San Angelo	67/75	89.33%
Arizona College of Nursing US27511100	Dallas	37/39	*94.87%
Baylor University US27505300	Dallas	346/367	*94.28%
Chamberlain College of Nursing US27500700	Houston	149/182	81.87%
Chamberlain College of Nursing US27510700	Irving	114/141	80.85%
Chamberlain College of Nursing US27510600	Pearland	136/174	78.16%
Chamberlain College of Nursing US27511400	San Antonio	56/64	87.50%
Concordia University US27505700	Austin	230/288	79.86%
East Texas Baptist University US27500900	Marshall	32/43	74.42%
Galen College of Nursing US27510800	San Antonio	109/118	*92.37%
Hallmark University US27510900	San Antonio	46/47	*97.87%
Houston Christian University US27504900	Houston	47/48	*97.92%
Howard Payne University US27511000	Brownwood	4/4	*100%
Lamar University US27503800	Beaumont	93/95	*97.89%
LeTourneau University US27510200	Longview	14/14	*100%
Midwestern State University US27500200	Wichita Falls	71/86	82.56%
Patty Hanks Shelton School of Nursing - US27503700	Abilene	24/25	*96.00%
Prairie View A&M University US27508400	Houston	98/116	84.48%
Sam Houston State University US27505500	Huntsville	147/157	*93.63%
Schreiner University US27511200	Kerrville	15/15	*100%