



State of Illinois

# Illinois Nursing Workforce Center

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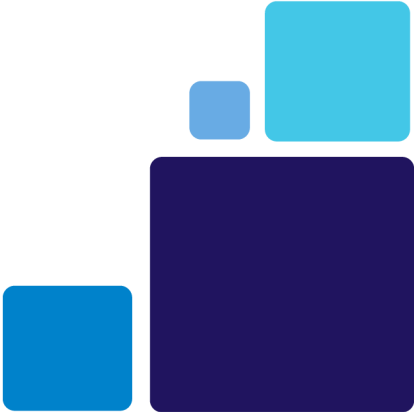


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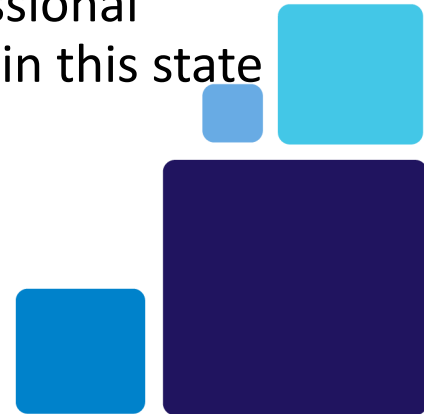


# Discussion objectives

- Describe the Illinois Nursing Workforce Center, which is part of the Illinois Nurse Practice Act, including a brief history, beginning in 2007
  - Identify at least one nurse license renewal resource available on the Illinois Nursing Workforce Center website [www.nursing.illinois.gov](http://www.nursing.illinois.gov)
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# IDFPR/Illinois Nursing Workforce Center

- The Illinois Nursing Workforce Center, formerly the Illinois Center for Nursing, is Article 75 of the Illinois Nurse Practice Act (NPA) and was created in 2007.
- The Workforce Center's mission is to advocate and ensure for the appropriate nursing resources necessary to meet the healthcare needs of the citizens of Illinois.
- As part of the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation/ IDFPR, it is the only health policy board within this state regulatory agency.
- The advisory board meets six times a year.






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- The website, <http://nursing.Illinois.gov>, includes education, license renewal and more resource information.
  - License renewal Continuing Education FAQs.
  - Lists and links to all Board of Nursing approved prelicensure nursing education programs; all baccalaureate completion programs physically located in Illinois - 90% courses are available online; graduate nursing education programs located in Illinois.
  - Data and Reports: all voluntary RN, LPN, APRN post-license renewal reports 2014-present, and a few older reports.
  - Links to license renewal portal, endorsement application, open faculty positions in Illinois nursing education programs, etc.



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- The Nursing Workforce Center works with state agencies, nurses' associations, nursing education programs, employers and state and national foundations to focus efforts on the nursing workforce.
    - The Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) Nurse Educator Fellowship Program, annual \$10,000 salary stipend.
    - Illinois Department of Public Health Center for Rural Health annual nursing education scholarship program
    - Illinois Healthcare Action Coalition (IHAC) partnership with ANA-Illinois & Illinois Organization of Nurse Leaders (IONL).
    - IHAC partnership with Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) Future of Nursing 2020-2030.
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# Continuing Education License Renewal FAQs

- License renewal CE requirements for Illinois nurses 2022:
  - The implicit bias awareness training CE requirement (HB158, Public Act 102-004) for Illinois RNs will begin as a license renewal requirement in **2024**. Illinois RNs are not required to complete implicit bias awareness training as one of 20 hours of CE required for license renewal in 2022. The law was passed, the Rules with detail are not yet final.
  - Beginning with the **2024** RN renewal, Illinois RNs who provide health care services to and have direct patient interaction with adults 26 years of age and older will be required to complete a one-hour course in diagnosis, treatment and care of Alzheimer's disease, along with other dementia types. CE Curriculum will involve how to identify and diagnose Alzheimer's, effective communication strategies and management and care planning. This course may count toward the regular CE requirements (Public Act 102-0399, 20 ILCS 2105/2105-365).






# Continuing Education License Renewal FAQs

- Sexual harassment prevention training CE requirement.
    - Beginning in 2020 a new law required individuals with licenses issued by the Illinois Division of Professional Regulation (DPR) that require continuing education (CE) to renew their license, to also complete 1 hour of CE on the topic of sexual harassment prevention training.
    - This CE requirement is included in the number of hours already required under the individual Acts and Rules and does not increase the number of hours required to renew a license.
    - One (1) hour of sexual harassment prevention training CE course is intended to fit into the RN licensee's regular CE requirements.
    - 1 of the 20 hours of CE required for RN license renewal must be a sexual harassment prevention training course.
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# IDFPR nurse license renewal resources




- Nursing Workforce Center website, tab: license/renewal will take you to the IDFPR nurses' page, which has the link for license renewal as well as resources:  
<https://www.idfpr.com/profs/nursing.asp>
  - To print a copy of your license or download onto your phone  
<https://www.idfpr.com/applications/getmylicense/LoginProf.asp?ViewOption=ind>
  - To change your address:  
<https://www.idfpr.com/applications/LicenseReprint/>
  - Resources and Publication tab has license renewal resources:
    - For those requiring additional assistance, please email: [fpr.lmu@illinois.gov](mailto:fpr.lmu@illinois.gov)
    - Assistance for Individuals: <https://bit.ly/3mb8C7U>
    - Assistance for Businesses: <https://bit.ly/3E5Fll8>
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- The Nursing Workforce Center has reports from the data collected voluntarily with online license renewal, the tab is Research/Data.
    - Most recent reports posted are 2020 LPN, RN, APRN
    - The FPA-APRN report with data collected during the 2020 renewal, is currently being written, to be posted shortly
  - There is a grid showing the number of active licensees dating back to 2001.
  - Data will be requested for voluntary collection beginning with license renewal shortly; the voluntary request is post payment of license renewal fee.
  - <http://nursing.illinois.gov/ResearchData.asp>
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