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# Updates from the Florida Center for Nursing

By Rayna Letourneau, PhD, RN – Executive Director of the Florida Center for Nursing



The Florida Center for Nursing (FCN) is established to research challenges facing Florida's nurses and develop solutions to meet those challenges.

## National Forum of State Nursing Workforce Centers Conference

The Florida Center for Nursing offered several presentations at the National Forum of State Nursing Workforce Centers conference in June. The national conference brought together over 250 nursing, workforce development, and health care research leaders.

Presentations by FCN Executive Director Rayna Letourneau, PhD, RN, and the FCN staff included:

Carden, A., Jimenez, A., & Letourneau, R. (2024) Charting the Change: How Florida's NCLEX Pass Rates Trend with the Next Generation of NCLEX  
Letourneau, R., Cooper, T., & Brown, T.

(2024) Shaping the Future of Nursing: An Initiative to Increase the Number of Faculty in Florida

Jimenez, A., Carden, A., & Letourneau, R. (2024) Autonomous Practice APRNs in Florida

Carden, A., Jimenez, A., & Letourneau, R. (2024) Nursing Faculty Vacancies in Florida's Pre-Licensure Nursing Programs

Speakers from the Florida Center for Nursing are available to present at events on these and other critical topics that impact the nursing workforce. Submit a speaker request here: [flcntr.org/speaker](https://flcntr.org/speaker)

## Community Engagement Tour Launches

The Florida Center for Nursing began its Community Engagement Tour in May at Indian River State College in Port St. Lucie, Florida. The Community Engagement

Tour is a series of regional workshops that allow the community to review and comment on Florida's statewide and regional nursing workforce data.

After the inaugural workshop in the Southeast region, FCN staff traveled to the Northeast, with further plans to visit the six remaining nursing regions it has designated across Florida. FCN staff will compile, analyze, and disseminate the findings and recommendations from the regional workshops after completion of the Community Engagement Tour. Regional workshops are open to the public and offered for both in-person and virtual attendance. Sign up to be notified of future dates and locations here: [flcntr.org/newsletter](https://flcntr.org/newsletter) ■