

TOPIC: IN SUPPORT OF WORKFORCE DATA COLLECTION

SUBMITTED BY: Florida Nursing Students Association Executive Board

WHEREAS, the United States is in the midst of a nursing shortage that is expected to intensify as the need for healthcare grows; and

WHEREAS, nursing workforce data collection allows the identification of imbalances between supply and demand and allows for forecasting efforts that drive nursing workforce development and policy recommendations; and

WHEREAS, establishing a nurse workforce data center to provide the information policy makers need to make informed decisions on nursing workforce issues by collecting reliable data on the nursing workforce, analyzing the data to identify workforce trends; and

WHEREAS, nursing workforce data collection is vital for states to accurately assess the nursing shortage crisis and develop comprehensive short and long range state workforce planning strategy; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the National Students Nurses' Association (NSNA) encourage its constituents to support the continuing development and funding of nursing workforce centers; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the NSNA encourage its constituents to raise awareness about the role that workforce data collection and the impact nursing workforce centers have on recruitment and retention of nurses; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the NSNA publish articles in *Imprint* and address this issue at MidYear Conference and Annual Convention, if feasible; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the NSNA send a copy of this resolution to the American Association of Colleges of Nursing, the American Nurses Association, the National League for Nursing, the National Organization for Associate Degree Nursing, the American Organization of Nurse Executives, the Center for American Nurses, the National Nursing Staff Development Organization, the American Academy of Nurses, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and any others deemed appropriate by the NSNA Board of Directors.