

**TOPIC: IN SUPPORT OF INCREASING AWARENESS AND ADVOCACY FOR THE PRIORITY PATIENT SAFETY AREAS FROM THE INSTITUTE OF MEDICINE (IOM)**

**SUBMITTED BY: Otero Junior College**

WHEREAS, the National Student Nurses' Association (NSNA) Bylaws state: The purpose of the NSNA is to assume responsibility for contributing to nursing education in order to provide for the highest quality health care; and

WHEREAS, the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission states, Student clinical experiences reflect current best practices and nationally established patient health and safety goals ; and

WHEREAS, the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education Accreditation supports and encourages continuing self-assessment by nursing education programs and supports continuing growth and improvement of collegiate professional education ; and

WHEREAS, Community Engagement from the Patient and Family Perspective, which focuses on the role of patient education and awareness at the community level as key components of patient safety ; and

WHEREAS, the American Nurses Association published practical tips on how to use the IOM reports in the classroom and how to reshape nursing curricula to show nursing educational institutions how to produce graduates capable of rendering safe, quality care in the context of the IOM reports ; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the NSNA encourage its constituents to advocate for new ways of incorporating the IOM's priority patient safety areas throughout the nursing curricula in a variety of learning environments; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the NSNA publish information about this topic in *Imprint*, if feasible; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the NSNA send a copy of this resolution to the American Nurses Association, the National League for Nursing, the American Association of Colleges of Nursing, the National Organization for Associate Degree Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau International, the Health Resources and Services Administration, and all others deemed appropriate by the NSNA Board of Directors.