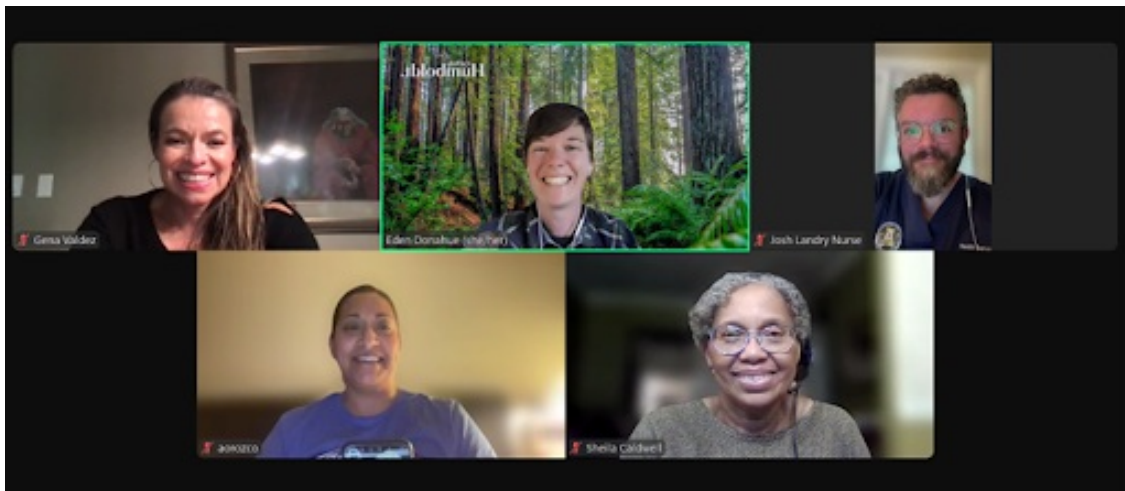




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A Message from the Board



JEBDI Task Force: Eugenia Valdez (CO), Eden Donahue (CA), Josh Landry (NM), Araceli Orozco (IL), Sheila Caldwell (NJ), and Cindy Hiltz (MN, not pictured)

President Update

Eden Donahue, DNP, RN, PHN, NCSN

As my time as NBCSN President comes to an end, I have been continually humbled by the work and partnerships that enhance school nursing practice nationwide. Earlier this year, NBCSN established a Justice, Equity, Belonging, Diversity, and Inclusion (JEBDI) Task Force with a group of representative school nurses. Although this work continues, I would like to recognize and thank the following JEBDI Task Force members: Sheila Caldwell (NJ), Josh Landry (NM), Araceli Orozco (IL), and Cindy Hiltz (MN). The JEBDI Task Force has been developing recommendations to ensure that all aspects of NBCSN



reflect the principles of justice, equity, belonging, diversity, and inclusion so that current and future NCSNs are supported throughout the certification and recertification process. This work and the work of NBCSN would not be possible without passionate and dedicated volunteers. If you would like to work with other NCSNs across the nation, consider joining [one of NBCSN's committees](#) as each aspect of the certification process involves NCSNs contributing their knowledge to further certification and excellence in school nursing.

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Membership News



[Exam Development](#)

Robin Shannon, DNP, RN, NCSN, PHNA-BC, FNASN

NBCSN is proud to announce the results of the Job Task Analysis (JTA) survey conducted in 2023. The results of the JTA showed that the exam content outline (ECO) needed to be streamlined and clarified. The board has accepted the recommended changes from the Job Task Analysis Task Force.

The major changes to the ECO include reducing the number of exam domains from five (5) to four (4) and clarifying the number of exam questions per domain on the exam.

The exam content is not changing, but rather the organization of the exam content.

Health Problems and Nursing Management has been removed from the domain list, with the content being applied throughout the remaining four domains. The other four domain names have been updated to better reflect the area of practice.

Old Domains

Health Appraisal
Health Problems and Nursing Management
Health Promotion and Disease Prevention
Special Health Issues
Professional Issues
Professional Issues

New Domains

Health Appraisal and Nursing Process
Health Promotion/Disease Prevention
School Health Practice Considerations
Professional Responsibility

The new ECO will be used for the Summer 2025 (July-August 2025) exam administration and beyond.

A new Candidate Handbook will be released before the end of the year.

The NCSN Exam Review Book is currently being updated. However, the content in the current edition is still relevant to the current and future exams. The 2025 edition will be reorganized based on the new exam content outline.

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Recertification



[Recertification News](#)

Melissa Lassen, BSN, RN, NCSN

If your recertification is picked for audit, these are the most common reasons that your audit requires additional information in order to complete the recertification process:

The hours that you are claiming are not from a national accrediting agency such as ANCC, NASN, Boards of Nursing, etc.

You are claiming credit for 6 or more hours and not providing a syllabus or content outline.

The CEU certificate does not include your name. We often receive blank CEU certificates.

The CEU Certificate information does not match the CEU certificate that you uploaded.

You are claiming academic credit and there is no transcript included.

You are claiming credit for a course that is not accepted such as CPR and First Aid.

NBCSN strongly recommends you include MORE than the

75 credits required, should one or more of your courses/activities not meet the requirements.

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General Info



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If you've been affected by Hurricane Helene or Milton (Georgia, Eastern Tennessee, Florida, and Western North Carolina) and are due to recertify between now and July 31, 2025, NBCSN has approved providing you a 6-month extension.

Please contact us either by phone at 1-833-276-0986 or email us at info@nbcnsn.org.

[New Candidate Handbook Coming Soon](#)

NBCSN has been working on incorporating the findings from the Job Task Analysis survey into the structure of the current exam. The changes do not affect the exam's content but instead streamline the current outline. The updated Handbook for the Summer 2025 exam will be available soon.

[NBCSN Timeline](#)

NBCSN will be celebrating its 40th anniversary with the new year! If you have photos from over the past 40 years of you and your fellow NCSNs, please feel free to share them with us at info@nbcnsn.org. Please use "40th Anniversary Photos" in the subject line and let us know (1) who is in the picture, (2) the estimated date of the photo, and (3) why you got certified.

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