

4. CAPITALIZING ON NURSES' POTENTIAL

4.3 The Health Care Regulator Collaborative should work to advance interstate compacts and the adoption of model legislation to improve access, standardize care quality, and build interprofessional collaboration and interstate cooperation.

1. Key Strategic Stakeholders

Health Care Organizations

Hospital Information Systems; Medical Associations

Non-profit Organizations

American Nurses Association; Heritage Foundation; National Association of County and City Health Officials; National Case Management Association; National Council of State Boards of Nursing; Professional Nursing Organizations; State AARP Offices; Tri-Council for Nursing; Telemedicine Association;

Federal Government

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; Congressional Champion(s); Congressional Nursing Caucus; National Advisory Council on Nurse Education and Practice; Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services; Veterans Affairs

State, Local Government

Council of State Governments; State Attorney Generals; Governors; State Legislators

Education

Accreditation Bodies

Other

Action Coalitions; Accreditation bodies; Consumer Organizations; Health Care Regulator Collaborative; National Trail Lawyer Associations

2. Top 3-5 Actions for 2021

- A. Learn/unpack and collaborate with the Health Care Regulator Collaborative.
- B. Engage Community partners to understand issues of equity and access pertaining to this initiative.
- C. Engage the Council of State Governments to manage the process of interstate compacts and to draft model legislation.
- D. Examine the impact of the pandemic on current compacts and identify opportunities to move to permanent changes.
- E. Look at current national models (Veterans Affairs, Hospital Information Systems, Prison Systems) for elements to leverage
- F. Review current evidence-based practice – delegation and standing orders, protocols, etc.
- G. Engage different stakeholders, including corporations/employers, to identify synergy and develop a communication strategy.

3. Top 3-5 Actions for 2022

- A. Activate the collaboration and synergy with the Health Care Regulator Collaborative and stakeholders.
- B. Draft model legislation with an equity lens.
- C. Develop evidence-based practice guidelines for standing orders, delegation, etc. to promote, facilitate, and ensure the nurses role in addressing social determinants of health, social needs, access, and quality grounded in equity and social justice across settings (Primary care, schools, public health etc.).
- D. Get endorsements from those running for office regarding the interstate compact - engage nursing and other Professional Advisory Committees to include this issue in decisions for endorsing candidates.
- E. Continue to identify national champions and advance payment (Congressional nursing caucus, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services).

4. Success Indicators

- Compacts in place - states adopting compacts – extent of adoption in states and at organization levels
- Federal funding to support
- Increase in access and health equity.
- Larger body of evidence-based practice research supporting model changes.
- Increase in national models.