



[The Nurse Licensure Compact](#)

Compact Description

- The Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC) is an interstate compact among participating states that enables nurses to practice in-person or providing telenursing services to patients located across the country without having to obtain additional licensing through mutual recognition.
- This allows nurses to quickly cross state borders and provide vital services in the event of a disaster.
- This removes a burdensome expense for organizations that employ nurses and may share the cost of multiple licenses and makes practicing across state borders affordable and convenient

What professions are included?

- Registered Nurses (RNs) and Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurses (LP/VNs)

Compact States

- As of Jan. 1, 2021, there are 34 states in the NLC.

Regulatory body for the occupation

- The Compact is an agreement among states, with the Nurse Licensure Compact Commission serving as the coordinating organization. The Commission is made up of representatives from each participating state.

[Link to compact language](#)

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