

2009 NCLEX[®] INVITATIONAL



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Experience the only one-day educational conference with the most current NCLEX[®] program updates offered by the experts that develop and administer the examinations. The National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN[®]) is proud to present its annual NCLEX Invitational, which presents indispensable and invaluable information you cannot afford to miss.

The agenda for the 2009 NCLEX[®] Invitational includes essential information about computer adaptive testing (CAT) and the procedures for setting the passing standard. Attendees will become knowledgeable about the item development process and the criteria for selecting item writing and review panels. Additional session topics include the latest NCLEX research, and information on how students register and schedule their NCLEX examination.

The 2009 NCLEX[®] Invitational allows for valuable networking time and an opportunity to ask questions regarding the NCLEX to the leading authority: the NCLEX[®] Examinations Department staff.

For the most current information relating to the NCLEX examinations and the NCLEX program, register for the 2009 NCLEX[®] Invitational online at <https://www.ncsbn.org/events.htm>.

Application for Contact Hours has been submitted; session times and topics subject to change.





PROGRAM SCHEDULE

7:30-8:20 am

Registration Desk Opens / Check-In / Continental Breakfast Buffet

8:30-8:45 am

Welcome

8:45-10:15 am

Identify the Steps in the NCLEX® Item Development Process

The development of the NCLEX examination is an involved process that requires experts in the field of nursing. During this session, you will be provided with an inside look into the steps followed by NCSBN to develop the NCLEX examinations as well as how you can participate. Since the NCLEX examinations are a reflection of current nursing practice, we will show you how NCSBN fulfills that principle, from the practice analysis research to item writing. Attendees will review alternate item formats, be shown the faculty item writing tools provided by the NCLEX® Detailed Test Plan and get the first look at the 2010 NCLEX-RN® Test Plan.

10:15-10:30 am

Break

10:30-11:30 am

NCLEX® Psychometrics

In 1994, NCSBN transitioned the NCLEX examinations from a paper and pencil (P&P) test to CAT, making it the first national licensure examination in the U.S. to make this technological leap. Learn how CAT works and how it is used to measure a candidate's ability more efficiently and more accurately than the traditional P&P format. Understanding how the test functions can help educators and mentors advise candidates with regard to the prudence of specific test taking strategies; this session is designed to cover some fundamental measurement concepts and technical terms, such as logit. In addition, the procedures NCSBN uses to set the passing standard, as well as the method used to predict the impact of changes in the passing standard, is explained.

Special Note to Educators: Learn about the Educational Program Summary Reports and hear about the latest changes to the NCLEX® Program Reports.

11:30 am-12:30 pm

Lunch



12:30-1:30 pm

The NCLEX® Examination Administration Process

Learn step-by-step about the NCLEX registration process and how you can better prepare candidates for their NCLEX examination experience. This session provides guidelines for approving special accommodation requests, as well as how to deal with internationally educated candidate issues. Information will be presented about the NCLEX® Unofficial Quick Results Service, the benefits of the program and how candidates can access their unofficial results for a nominal fee. Attendees will also learn the steps NCSBN takes to ensure the integrity of the NCLEX examination.

1:30-2:00 pm

NCLEX® Research

An update will be provided on recent NCLEX research initiatives, including the work of the most current practice analysis.

2:00-2:30 pm

NCLEX® Updates

2:30-2:50 pm

Break

2:50-3:50 pm

Questions and Answers

This is your opportunity to have any additional questions about the NCLEX answered.

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REGISTRATION INFORMATION

ACCOMMODATIONS

Hyatt Regency Chicago
151 East Wacker Drive
Chicago, IL 60601

Reservations

888.421.1442

Room Rates

\$165.00 Single/Double

Rates are subject to a 15.4% state and local tax (rates subject to change).

Please reference the 2009 NCLEX® Invitational room block when making your reservations. The cut-off for the room block is Thursday, Aug. 20, 2009. If you must cancel your room reservations, contact the Hyatt Regency Chicago before 3:00 pm CST, 72 hours prior to your arrival. Failure to do so will result in the registrant being billed the first night's room rate.

Attire

Business-casual attire is appropriate for all meeting functions. Please note that meeting room temperatures fluctuate; dress in layers to ensure your comfort.

REGISTRATION

The registration fee for the 2009 NCLEX® Invitational is **\$225.00 per person**.

The registration fee for **NCSBN member boards is \$200.00 per board representative** (NCSBN members are staff or board members of state boards of nursing).

The registration fee includes:

- Continental breakfast
- Two beverage breaks
- Plated lunch
- Invitational materials

Online registration is open to the first 250 attendees and will stop once capacity is reached; a wait list will then be started.

Payment may be paid by credit card, check or purchase order. Accepted credit cards: Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover. If paying by check, make your check payable to NCSBN and write "2009 NCLEX Invitational" on it. If paying for multiple registrations via check or purchase order, please list the full name of each attendee.

Payment is required prior to Sept. 15, 2009. **Payments will not be accepted onsite.** Send registration confirmation with payment to:

NCSBN

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CANCELLATIONS

Cancellations must be received no later than Monday, Sept. 10, 2009. No refunds will be provided after this date.

Attendees must call Colleen Neubauer, NCSBN Meetings Manager, at 312.525.3639 to cancel.