As a leader in regulation for more than 40 years, NCSBN continually works to promote public protection.

NCSBN is an independent, not-for-profit organization through which nursing regulatory bodies act in council together on matters of common interest and concern affecting public health, safety, and welfare, including the development of nursing licensure examinations. The organization empowers and supports nursing regulators in their mandate to protect the public with the ultimate vision of leading regulatory excellence worldwide.

NCSBN’s mission is to ensure public protection. One of the many ways the organization has achieved this mission includes the development of the NCLEX licensure exam. NCSBN is dedicated to the reliability and validity of its licensure examinations so they are psychometrically sound and legally defensible.

This ensures nurses are tested on the same entry level of competencies needed to provide safe nursing care. Always groundbreaking, NCSBN continually develops other products and services that support nursing regulatory bodies and contribute to the body of nursing and regulatory knowledge.

Along with this, the organization conducts wide array of cutting edge research that supports evidence-based regulatory decisions for patient safety and public protection.

Membership is also open to nursing regulatory bodies from around the world. NCSBN has a growing number of international nursing regulatory bodies known as associate members and exam user members. All members gain access to the invaluable offerings that assist in their regulatory efforts for the purpose of public protection.

NCSBN's office is adjacent to Chicago's Magnificent Mile and as the city's skyscrapers climb ever higher, so does the organization. NCSBN continues its mission with its dedicated staff. From nursing regulatory bodies, to nursing leaders, to nursing students, to the general public, NCSBN impacts regulation in a profound way, serving as the collective voice of nursing regulation in the US and worldwide.