



2026 Award Recipient – Priscilla Burks

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Presenter

NCSBN Awards Committee

- 2026 Exceptional Contribution Award. Priscilla Burks from the Mississippi Board of Nursing is a regulatory leader who has enhanced practical nursing education and increased accountability across programs. She has expanded workforce pathways without lowering standards and strengthened public protection. Her work with the State Community College Board curriculum writing team led to changes in the standardized practical nursing curriculum, better aligning it with regulatory standards and licensure expectations.

Priscilla has demonstrated sustained support of NCSBN's mission, including service on the Journal of Nursing Regulation Editorial Advisory Board. Because of her demonstrated teamwork, dedication to improving nursing regulation, passion for excellence, and significant contributions to NCSBN's mission, Priscilla is being honored with the 2026 Exceptional Contribution Award.