



2026 Award Recipient – Danette Schloeder

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2026 Elaine Ellibee Award As chair of the Alaska Board of Nursing, Danette Schloeder has led the board through the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic and major ongoing regulatory work. Danette is known for her calm, diplomatic leadership in difficult situations and listening openly and including diverse voices and reform efforts.

Her initiatives have strengthened local programs and elevated professional standards in Alaska, all while building a consensus to advance national priorities in a state with unique health care challenges. While the Nurse Licensure Compact has yet to be adopted in Alaska, Danette has been a long-standing champion of the initiative and has built a broad-based coalition of supporters.

Through service on the NCSBN Board of Directors and the NCLEX Examination Committee, Danette has made substantive contributions at the national level. Her exceptional leadership and dedication and her commitment to regulatory excellence in public protection exemplify why she is the recipient of this year's Elaine Ellibee Award.

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