

# North Dakota Board of Nursing

## Requirements to hold a Multi-State License for Foreign Educated Nurses claiming ND as primary state of residence

The enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC) was implemented January 19, 2018. The NLC has specific licensure requirements, called Uniform Licensure Requirements (ULR), which requires additional documentation from foreign educated nurses who were licensed after July 20, 2017. For your license to be designated as a “multi-state license” after January 19, 2018, you must submit the following additional documents to comply with the requirements of the new eNLC law.

If the documents are not received with your application for license by endorsement, your ND license will be issued as a “single state” license which allows you to practice in the state of ND but does not carry the multi-state licensure privilege to practice in other compact states.

**All documentation must be sent to the Board directly from the agency verifying credentials. Documents submitted by nurses will not be accepted.**

- A. If you hold a Certification Program (CP) Certificate, you will need to request from CGFNS a Certification Program (CP) Verification Letter.
- B. If you hold an active VisaScreen Certificate, you will need to request from CGFNS a VisaScreen Verification Letter.

***The CP Verification Letter or VisaScreen Verification satisfies the additional requirements of the eNLC and no additional documentation is needed.***

- C. If your VisaScreen Certificate has expired or you do not have a Certification Program Certificate, you will need to submit an official credentials evaluation report (CES) from one of the approved agencies listed below:
  - Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools (CGFNS)  
[www.cgfns.org](http://www.cgfns.org)  
Phone: 215-222-8454
  - Educational Credential Evaluators, Inc (ECE)  
[www.ece.org](http://www.ece.org)  
Phone: 414-289-3400
  - Foundation for International Services, Inc (FIS)  
[www.fis-web.com](http://www.fis-web.com)  
Phone: 425-248-2255
  - International Consultants of Delaware Inc (ICD)  
[www.icdeval.com](http://www.icdeval.com)  
Phone: 215-243-5858
  - International Educations Research Foundation (IERF)  
[www.ierf.org](http://www.ierf.org)  
Phone: 310-258-9451
- D. If you are graduate of a program not taught in English or English is not your native language, you also must submit official verification of passing an English proficiency examination that includes the components of reading, speaking, writing, and licensing.

Please e-mail any questions regarding the new eNLC requirements for foreign trained nurse to [contactus@ndbon.org](mailto:contactus@ndbon.org).