Conference Overview
First time NCLEX® pass rates of new nursing graduates have declined in the U.S. over the past two years. This conference focuses on how both U.S. and Canadian educators can ensure graduate success on the licensure exam, in consideration of the new 2016 NCLEX-RN® test plan. Participants will have the opportunity to apply what they learn with individual feedback from an international expert in test writing and analysis.

Target Audience
New and seasoned nursing faculty from the U.S. and Canada; deans, directors, and program chairs; course coordinators, and other faculty interested in testing strategies to promote student success.

Conference Outcomes
By the end of this program, attendees will be able to:

- Describe the 2016 changes in the NCLEX® and the NCLEX-RN® test plan.
- Explain the importance of mapping a nursing curriculum to the NCLEX® test plans.
- Identify the essential components of a test blueprint to ensure content validity.
- List key tips for writing clear and meaningful NCLEX®-style test items.
- Identify at least 4 strategies that students can implement to improve test success.
- Analyze test items for reliability, difficulty level, and discrimination.
- Write or revise at least two effective NCLEX®-style test items.

Nursing Contact Hours
Association for approval to award 11 nursing contact hours. Attendees are required to attend 80% of the conference to receive full credit.

The Ohio Nurses Association (OBN-001-91) is an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

For questions about nursing contact hours, contact Deanne A. Blach, MSN, RN at 870.715.7508 or deanne@deanneblach.com.
Register Early!
Take advantage of our early bird discount!
Register online or mail your registration form and fee by December 15, 2015.

Group Discounts!
For 3 or more faculty registrations submitted together.

Digital Handouts
Conference handouts will be emailed to confirmed registrants in early April, 2016.

Cancellation Policy
No refunds will be given, but a substitute may attend. Otherwise, the registration fee will be forfeited.

Exhibitor Opportunities
Representatives from various companies will be present to discuss products and services. For more information, contact DP Productions of NW AR, Inc.

Call For Posters
Share your evidence-based strategies related to NCLEX® success with other conference attendees by participating in a poster display! Submit an abstract to deanne@deanneblach.com by April 1, 2016 according to the guidelines found at www.deanneblach.com.

Register early to get these rates!

Day 1
7:30 – 8:15 Registration Sign-In
8:15 – 8:30 Welcome and Disclosures
8:30 – 10:00 NCLEX®-RN® and NCLEX-PN® Update: What’s New?
10:00 – 10:30 BREAK (exhibits and posters open)
10:30 – 12:00 Mapping the Curriculum to the NCLEX® Test Plan
12:00 – 1:00 LUNCH (provided)
1:00 – 2:15 Developing Meaningful Test Blueprints for Faculty Exams
2:15 – 2:45 BREAK (exhibits and posters open)
2:45 – 3:45 Tips for Writing Effective NCLEX®-Style Questions

Optional Open Forum (Day 1)
4:30 – 6:00 Focus: Canadian NCLEX® Success
One of the major benefits of an international nursing education conference is having the opportunity to develop relationships and share best practice ideas with peers. Join “Iggy” and the DB Productions staff to share strategies about student NCLEX® success. Light refreshments will be served.

Day 2
8:00 – 8:30 Registration Sign-In
8:30 – 10:00 Teaching Students Effective Test-Taking Strategies
10:00 – 10:30 BREAK (exhibits and posters open)
10:30 – 12:00 Analyzing Test Results for Reliability and Item Decisions
12:00 – 1:00 LUNCH (provided)
1:00 – 2:15 Small Group Work to Revise/Write Test Items
2:15 – 2:30 BREAK
2:30 – 3:30 Review of Small Group Work with Feedback
3:30 – 3:45 Summary and Evaluation

Conference and Hotel Accommodations

April 18-19, 2016
Holiday Inn Chicago-Elk Grove
1000 Busse Road • Elk Grove Village • Wood Dale, IL 60007
Reservations: 800.498.0372 or online at www.hielkgrove.com

Special Conference Rates!
$109/night (plus tax)

Reservation Deadline: April 1, 2016
(Includes Complimentary Airport Shuttle and Wi-Fi)

April 22-23, 2016
Embassy Suites Seattle-Tacoma International Airport
15920 West Valley Highway • Seattle, WA 98188
Reservations: 800.362.2779 or online at www.seattletacoma.embassysuites.com

Special Conference Rates!
$155/night* (plus tax)

Reservation Deadline: April 7, 2016
(Includes Complimentary Airport Shuttle, Wi-Fi, Full Hot Breakfast, and Manager’s Reception)

*Use Group Code: DBP

Registration
Please Register by April 10, 2016.
After April 10 – Call for Availability.
Register online at www.deanneblach.com or mail a check with this completed form.

Name: ____________________________
Address: ____________________________
City: __________________ State: __________ Zip: ______
Phone: __________________ Email: __________________
(School: __________________)
(SUBMITTED)

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Location
Holiday Inn Chicago-Elk Grove
OR
Seattle, Washington - April 22-23, 2016
Embassy Suites Seattle-Tacoma Intl. Airport

Fees
(includes nursing contact hours, lunches, & digital handouts)

On or Before December 15, 2015 Amount
Individual: $439 (USD) $____________
3 or more faculty: $399 (USD) per person $____________

After December 15, 2015 Amount
Individual: $479 (USD) $____________
3 or more faculty: $439 (USD) per person $____________

Total Amount Enclosed $____________

Please send registration form & fee to:
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