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Support legislation that protects the PUBLIC!
Mandatory Limits on number patients per Nurse &
Only educated & licensed nurses perform nursing!

Industry's business plan—years of failed Illinois laws drives nurses away!

Illinois' Hospital Report Card Act (2004) <https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/ilcs/ilcs3.asp?ActID=2466&ChapterID=21>

The language promises that staff SHALL reflect nursing goals, standards of practice based on the needs of the patient. Sounds good – but lacks accountability to uphold staffing plans.

Nurse Staffing by Patient Acuity Act (2007) <https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/fulltext.asp?Name=095-0401>

Direct care nurses will comprise 55% of the Nurse Staffing Committee to determine their staffing plan recommendations – and direct care nurse recommendations will contain “significant weight” in staffing plans. But no consequences if recommendations are unmet.

In 2017 – IL Nurse Practice Act (NPA) – created a healthcare care disparity in Community

<https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/ilcs/ilcs5.asp?ActID=1312&ChapterID=24>

2017 NPA gutted the “nursing process” *the essential core of practice*. With nursing process eliminated, a new untested, UNEVIDENCED MODEL of nursing care was created, a new definition allowing RNs to delegate nursing interventions to unlicensed, non-nurse workers in community settings unsupervised. This uneducated worker can even administer medication. Unlicensed non-nurses are replacing nurses to perform nursing interventions in Community settings. **A lower standard of nursing care exists in Illinois' Community settings - a public safety, healthcare inequity.**

Nurse Staffing Improvement Act (2021) <https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/fulltext.asp?Name=102-0641>

Added sanctions – hospitals not adhering to direct care nurse recommendations will pay into scholarship fund. **How does scholarships fix real time inadequate nurse staffing recommendations?**

PROTECT THE PUBLIC—INVEST IN NURSES!

American Nurses Association announced November 2023 staffing ratios **will fix the staffing crisis!**

<https://www.nursingworld.org/news/news-releases/2023/american-nurses-association-supports-the-nurse-staffing-standards-for-hospital-patient-safety-and-quality-care-act/>

Support Federal bills H.R. 2530/S. 1113 [Nurse Staffing Standards for Hospital Patient Safety and Quality Care Act](#)

Support Illinois Safe Patient Limits H.B. 3338/S.B. 2314 Limits on nurse to patient ratios in hospitals <https://legiscan.com/IL/text/HB3338/id/2706223>

Support Illinois Nursing-Delegation S.B. 1277/H.B. 3739 Restoring that only licensed, educated nurses perform nursing interventions including community. <https://legiscan.com/IL/bill/SB1277/2023>

Unsafe work environments drive nurses from the bedside. There is no IL nursing shortage.

Any Illinois legislation MUST align with Illinois Nurse Practice Act “Purpose”

Legislative purpose. The practice of professional and practical nursing in the State of Illinois is hereby declared to affect the public health, safety, and welfare and to be subject to regulation and control in the public interest. It is further declared to be a matter of public interest and concern that the practice of nursing, as defined in this Act, merit and receive the confidence of the public and that only qualified persons be authorized to so practice in the State of Illinois. This Act shall be liberally construed to best carry out these subjects and purposes.

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