

**STATES HELPING MEET  
SARA REQUIREMENTS**

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**PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE DISCLOSURES**

► **NC - SARA Manual Section 5.2**

► SARA has no effect on State professional licensing requirements. Any Institution operating under SARA policies that offers courses or programs potentially leading to Professional Licensure must keep all students, applicants and potential students who have contacted the Institution about the course or program informed as to whether successful completion of such offerings would actually meet state licensing requirements. For purposes of SARA, this must be done in one of two ways:

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**PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE DISCLOSURES**

a. The Institution may determine whether the course or program meets the educational requirements for Professional Licensure in the State where the applicant or student resides and provide that information in writing to the applicant or student. If after making all reasonable efforts, the Institution is unable to determine whether the program meets the educational requirements for professional licensure, or

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**PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE DISCLOSURES**

b. After making all reasonable efforts to make such a determination, if unsuccessful, the Institution may notify the applicant or student in writing that the Institution cannot confirm whether the course or program meets educational requirements for Professional Licensure in the student's or applicant's State, provide the student or applicant with current contact information for any applicable licensing boards, and advise the student to determine whether the program meets requirements for Licensure in the State where the student is located.

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**PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE DISCLOSURES**

**► States have disclosure requirements**

- Florida 6E – 1.0032 Fair Consumer Practices
  - ☐(5) Any licensed institution offering a program which does not make the graduate eligible to take required professional examinations in that field or to practice regulated professions in that field in Florida must publish a disclosure statement to inform prospective students clearly and unambiguously of this fact.

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**PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE DISCLOSURES**

► **Stepping Outside SARA**

- Because some institutions have difficulty disclosing licensure requirements, some institutions change the program so that it no longer leads to licensure.
  - Students/graduates do not always understand why they cannot obtain a license.
  - Sometimes the program is too similar to another program that does lead to licensure.

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**PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE DISCLOSURES**

► **Stepping Outside SARA**

- Because some institutions have difficulty disclosing licensure requirements, some institutions put the burden on the student to determine licensure requirements
  - Students/graduates do not always know how to obtain information.
  - Students do not always comprehend the licensure requirements.

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**FIELD EXPERIENCE PLACEMENTS**

► **NC – SARA Manual Section 5.11**

- a. If the Host State requires approval of Supervised Field Experiences by agencies or boards responsible for professional requirements in fields requiring Licensure or certification for practice, such professional approval requirements remain in effect.
- d. 1. Cannot provide for the placement of more than 10 students from an individual academic program placed simultaneously at one clinical or practicum site, unless approval for a larger number is provided by the Host State SARA Portal Entity.

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**FIELD EXPERIENCE PLACEMENTS**

**► Stepping Outside SARA**

- Too many students at the same site at the same time - usually because they are not being tracked.
- Without proper Professional Licensing Board approval, some students will have to redo clinical placements or may not be able to get a license until the institution has approval.

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