Sigma GLOBAL NURSING EXCELLENCE

ALL ABOUT THE NEXT GENERATION NCLEX (NGN)

To measure nurse competency and clinical judgment, the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) administers the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) and the updated Next Generation NCLEX (NGN).

WHAT TO EXPECT ON THE NGN

THE TEST INCLUDES:

85-150 questions
Between 70-135 questions will be counted.

A minimum of 52 will be stand-alone questions.

A minimum of 18 will be case scenarios (3 case studies with 6 questions each).

THERE ARE 14 TYPES OF QUESTIONS.

1. Multiple choice
2. Matrix multiple choice
3. Multiple response select N
4. Drop-down cloze
5. Drag-and-drop cloze
6. Drop-down table
7. Bow-tie
8. Multiple response (Select all that apply)
9. Highlight text
10. Highlight table
11. Matrix multiple response
12. Multiple response grouping
13. Drop-down rationale
14. Drag-and drop rationale

IMPORTANT TO KNOW

Clinical judgment is assessed using case scenario questions.

Why do we need to evaluate clinical judgment?

Clinical judgment helps keep nurses and patients safe when administering care.

Clinical judgment is integrated into:

75% of all clinical areas

45% of all vital RN tasks

For case scenario questions, use the **6 competencies** of the clinical judgment model to answer:

1. Recognizing cues
2. Analyzing cues
3. Prioritizing hypothesis
4. Generating solutions
5. Taking actions
6. Evaluating outcomes

HOW TO PREPARE

Improve your knowledge and comprehension.

While the format has evolved, the core content remains the same.

Practice, practice, practice!

It's important to be familiar with the new types of questions before taking the exam. Take as many practice questions as you can.

Review the NCLEX website.

Go to NCLEX.com to learn more about the NGN.

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