



State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA) Licensure Disclosure Statement

The purpose of this disclosure statement is to inform students about state licensure requirements for Otero's Practical Nursing (PN) and Registered Nursing (RN) programs.

Otero operates under the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA) to establish comparable national standards for interstate offerings of postsecondary distance education courses and programs. SARA is intended to make it easier for students to take online courses offered by postsecondary institutions in a state other than the one where they reside.

Under 34 CFR 668.43 (a)(5)(v), if an educational program is designed to meet educational requirements for a specific professional license or certification that is required for employment in an occupation, or is advertised as meeting such requirements, the College must provide information regarding whether completion of that program would be sufficient to meet licensure requirements for occupation in different states.

The curriculum for Otero's Practical Nursing (PN) and Registered Nursing (RN) programs meets the licensure requirements for the State of Colorado. Otero **has not** made a determination that our curriculum meets the educational requirements for licensure or certification in other states. However, the State of Colorado is a member of the [National Licensure Compact \(NLC\)](#), and as resident of a compact state, you **may** be eligible for a multistate license. A multistate license issued by Colorado is valid in all compact states. To practice in noncompact states, you must apply for a single-state license with the appropriate board of nursing. Otero's PN and RN programs **may not** meet the educational requirements of noncompact states

Compact PN/RN States

- Alabama
- Arizona
- Arkansas
- Colorado
- Delaware
- Florida
- Guam
- Idaho
- Indiana
- Iowa
- Kansas
- Kentucky
- Louisiana
- Maine
- Maryland
- Mississippi
- Missouri
- Montana
- Nebraska
- New Hampshire
- New Jersey
- New Mexico
- North Carolina
- North Dakota
- Ohio
- Oklahoma
- South Carolina
- Pennsylvania
- South Dakota
- Tennessee
- Texas
- Utah

- Vermont
- Virginia
- West Virginia
- Wisconsin
- Wyoming

Noncompact PN/RN States

Alaska Board of Nursing

<https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardofNursing.aspx>

American Samoa

American Samoa Board of Nursing

California

<https://www.bvnpt.ca.gov/>

Connecticut

<https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practitioner-Licensing--Investigations/PLIS/Practitioner-Licensing--Investigations-Section>

District of Columbia

<https://dchealth.dc.gov/>

Hawaii

<https://www.ncsbn.org/nurse-licensure-guidance.htm>

Illinois

<https://www.idfpr.com/profs/Nursing.asp>

Massachusetts

<https://www.mass.gov/orgs/board-of-registration-in-nursing>

Michigan

https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-89334_72600_72603_27529_27542---,00.html

Minnesota

<https://mn.gov/boards/nursing/>

Nevada

<https://nevadanursingboard.org/>

New York

<http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/nurse/>

Northern Mariana Islands

<https://nmibon.info/>

Ohio

<https://nursing.ohio.gov/>

Oregon

<https://www.oregon.gov/osbn/Pages/index.aspx>

Pennsylvania

<https://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/Nursing/Pages/default.aspx#.VTEYxCFVhBd>

Rhode Island

<https://health.ri.gov/licenses/>

Vermont

<https://sos.vermont.gov/nursing/>

Virgin Islands

<https://doh.vi.gov/programs/office-professional-licensure-and-health-planning>

Washington

<https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/NursingCommission>

For more information, please visit: The National Council of State Boards of Nursing, Inc. at

<https://www.ncsbn.org/nurse-licensure-guidance.htm>

Important Websites

National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements

<http://nc-sara.org/>

National Licensure Compact (NLC)

<https://www.ncsbn.org/nurse-licensure-compact.htm>

Uniform Licensure Requirements for a Multistate License

https://www.ncsbn.org/NLC_ULRs.pdf

Colorado License Information

<https://dpo.colorado.gov/Nursing>