Unique Nurse Identifier Policy Statement

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Purpose of discussion today

• Share dissemination plan for ANI Unique Nurse Identifier Policy Statement

• Confirm support for the ANI Unique Nurse Identifier Policy Statement
Why Do We Need a Unique Nurse Identifier?

- Disparate systems typically have different identifiers for individuals.
- Associating the unique ID with the nurse in multiple systems will allow for matching and capturing the nurse’s activity in those system(s).
- Personally identifiable information is not needed.
- Nurse activity in events or documentation can then be identified for research, trending, or educational purposes.
Implications of Using a Unique Nurse Identifier

• A unique nurse identifier enables:
  – examination of the variability of direct nursing care time and costs, and the relationships between patient and nurse characteristics and costs.
  – measurement of nursings’ role in contributing to safe, effective healthcare practices and enhancing enterprise resource planning.
Call to Action

• A unified voice is essential for advancing advocacy efforts to ensure adoption of a unique nurse identifier for documentation, education, research and training purposes.

• The Nursing Knowledge: Big Data Science Policy and Advocacy Workgroup recommends the NCSBN ID to enhance patient care and outcomes.
Approved ANI Policy Statement:

The NCSBN ID should be used by key stakeholders as a nurse identifier to demonstrate the value of nursing through research, and enhance individual care and health outcomes via more comprehensive documentation in the EHR, ERP and technologies and systems.
‘Ask’ of the ANI Governing Directors

• Disseminate the Unique Nurse Identifier ANI Policy Statement and related materials to your members
  – A webinar will be pre-recorded and made available
• Link to the ANI Policy Statement and related materials from your website and share via your social media platforms.
• Reference the ANI Policy Statement in relevant public comment opportunities.
• Send feedback/progress on your activities to: whende@nurseevolution.com
Thank you!

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