# Strategic Intervention on the Academic-Practice Gap: *International Consortium for Outcomes of Nursing Education (ICONEd)*

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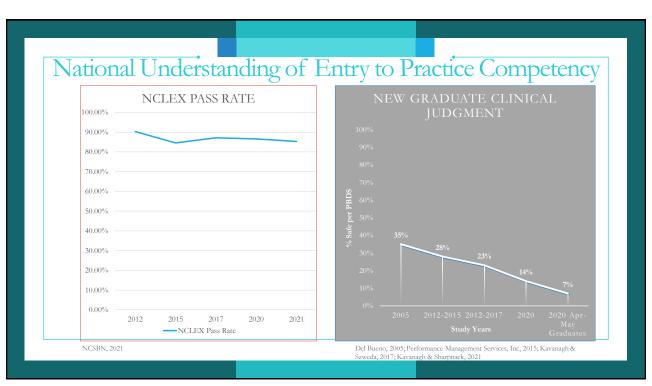
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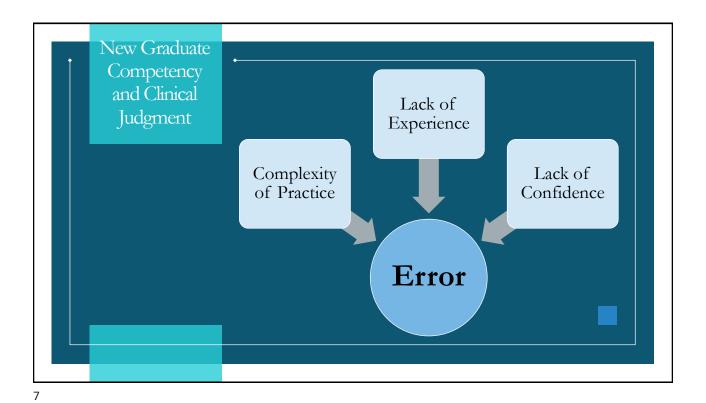
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# Session Objectives

- ° Describe ICONEd's strategies for establishing a national/international understanding of new-graduate nurse competency
- ° Identify how you can collaborate to enhance new-graduate nurse competency







Prelicensure Nursing Program Use of Clinical Judgment Models

Use clinical reasoning or clinical judgment in program or course outcomes

Use a clinical judgment model to frame or guide curriculum.

27% use a specific model (n=64) 71% do not use a model (n=167)

Program intentions for future

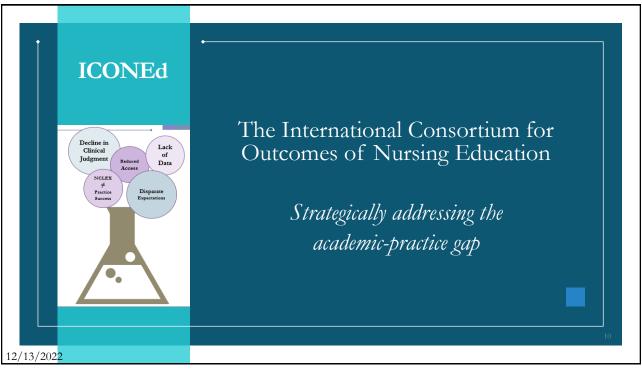
51% intend to start (n=120) 20% do not intend to start (n=47)

# Types of teaching strategies used to promote student development of clinical judgment

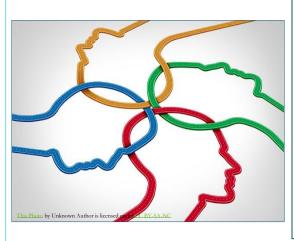
	Currently using model	Intend to start	Do not intend to start
Simulation	94%	97%	100%
Case studies	97%	98%	100%
Virtual technology	76%	82%	84%
Feedback	65%	66%	74%
Questioning	80%	78%	70%
Concept mapping	67%	71%	74%
Structured reflection	56%	55%	52%
Coaching	62%	43%	38%
Concept-based learning	48%	33%	38%

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# Collaborative Action!



- Establish a congruent understanding of new-graduate competency at end educational program/entry to practice
- Establish best practices for teaching and assessing clinical judgment
- Develop a web-based repository of replicable study designs and measurement tools to foster highquality multi-site outcomes-focused nursing education and practice research.

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# Priority Research Questions

- 1. What competencies do practice partners across spheres of care expect in new graduate nurses at end educational program?
- 2. How is clinical judgment being assessed in new graduate nurses at end educational program and at entry to practice?



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# First Actions

- Assess Current Practice
  - 1. Competency Assessment
  - 2. Clinical Judgment Assessment

#### Literature Review

• Scoping reviews underway

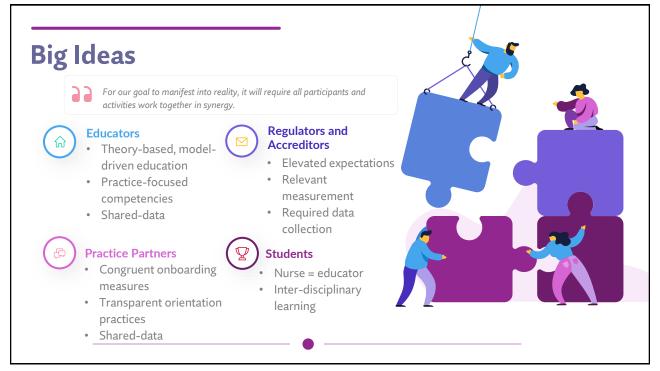
#### **Pilot Interviews**

- Transition to practice (TTP) program leadership
- TTP accrediting bodies
- Academic educators
- Academic accrediting bodies

### Survey and Focus Groups

• TBD

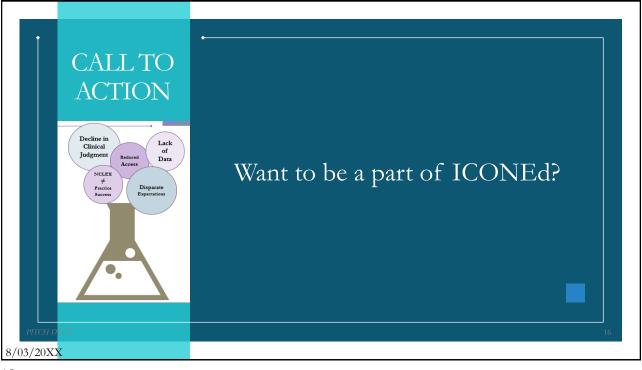
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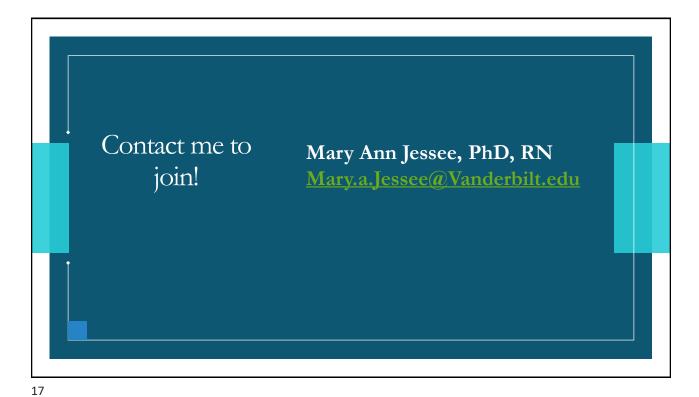


# Consider and Share!

- ° What are the reasonable roles and responsibilities of academic educators, practice partners, regulators, and accreditors in addressing this gap?
- ° What could we accomplish if practice partners and academic educators understood the same expectation of end-program competency?

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