Группа: 402Ск Специальность: Сестринское дело Дата: 24.10.2020 Тема: Nursing education Цель: Развитие навыков поискового чтения, формирование компетентности в области знаний сестринского образования

Задания лекции: прочитать текст (перевод НЕ НУЖЕН), ответить письменно на вопросы после текста

Домашнее задание: Ответить на вопрос «What nurses can't work in USA»? (с опорой на текст)

While there is a well-known shortage of registered nurses, current U.S. Immigration laws can make it difficult for foreign-educated nurses to obtain jobs. It is important for those interested in pursuing this avenue to obtain the proper visas and paperwork from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services department.

8-Steps To Work In The U.S. As A Nurse

There are eight key steps foreign-educated nurses will need to take in order to obtain a position as an RN in a U.S. hospital.

Meet the educational requirements

Take and pass an English language proficiency test, if mandated.

Obtain credential evaluation

Pass your National Council Licensing Examination-Registered Nurse (NCLEX – RN)

Find a nursing recruiting agency or US-based employer

Apply and obtain an RN immigrant visa/green card

RN visa interview and medical examination

Accept an RN position

Education

First and foremost, international educated nurses must meet basic education requirements. These include:

Graduation from an accredited Registered Nursing program

Licensing as a Registered Nurse (RN)

Experience practicing as an RN for at least two years

Licensed practical nurses, licensed vocational nurses, and patient care assistants are not eligible to transfer their licenses to the United States.

While the aforementioned are required, most states also require foreign-educated nurses to complete a Foreign Educated Nurses (FEN) refresher course. The course consists of 120 hours in the classroom and 120 hours of clinical practice under the supervision of a licensed Registered Nurse.

English Language Proficiency Tests

After meeting the initial education requirements, some foreign educated nurses must take and pass the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), the Test of English for International Communication (TOEIC) or the International English Language Testing System (IELTS). This will vary depending on the country of origin and results are sent directly to the state nursing board.

Nurses who went to nursing school in the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, Canada (except Quebec), or Ireland are exempt as are those whose spoken language in nursing school was English and/or the nursing school textbooks were written in English.

Pass The NCLEX Examination

After ensuring you meet the education and language requirements it's time to apply for the NCLEX in the state of intended employment. Registration with Pearson Vue is required and costs \$200 plus additional foreign fees.

Credentials Evaluation And Reports

The Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools (CGFNS) is a company that is employed by State Boards of Nursing to ensure that applicants meet the basic requirements and are fit to take the NCLEX.

There are three main credentialing reports:

Credentials Evaluation Service Professional Report

CGFNS Certification Program

Visa Credentials Assessment

Credentials Evaluation Service Professional Report

This report is less involved and cheaper than the Certificate Program or VisaScreen. It provides the basic information for the State Board of Nursing and only a handful of states accept this.

Below are the requirements you'll need to meet:

English Requirement

Secondary School Documents

Licensure Documents from your Home Country

Nursing Education Documents from your Home Country

\$350 Fee

CGFNS Certification Program

This evaluation is the same as above but requires the applicant to take the CGFNS Qualifying Exam.

Applicants are required to have a minimum number of classroom and clinical hours in required fields such as pediatric nursing, psychiatric nursing, neonatal nursing, and adult medical/surgical nursing.

The examination is held three times a year at over 40 testing centers across the globe. Individuals may travel to other countries, if needed, in order to take the exam.

International Education Research Foundation

Educational Records Evaluation Service

Obtain Employment Visa "Work Visa"

The next step is to obtain an employment visa. There are several options for these nurses but nurses must have sponsorship from a staffing agency. It is easier for foreign nurses to work with an independent staffing recruiter and agency then directly with a hospital.

Agencies are well versed in helping nurses work in the U.S. and have systems in place in order to ensure all information and paperwork is completed accurately.

Mexican And Canadian Nurses - TN Visa

Mexican and Canadian nurses may work in the United States with a special TN visa if the individual has an offer of employment, a license to practice in their home country, and pass the NCLEX and state licensure requirements.

H-1B Temporary Work Visa

Nurses who hold a four-year degree and fulfill a specialized nursing role may qualify for an H-1B temporary work visa and then apply for a green card once stateside. These specialized roles include critical care nurses, emergency room nurses, and/or cardiology nurses.

It is important to note that there a very limited number of H-1C visas available to nurses who want to work in very specific hospitals in underserved communities.

Permanent Work Visa

The majority of foreign-trained nurses will need to obtain a permanent work visa, otherwise known as a green card. This application needs to be completed prior to travel to the United States and the visa must be obtained before immigrating legally.

Nurses NOT Eligible To Work In The United States

Unfortunately, not all foreign-educated nurses are eligible to work in the United States. These include but are not limited to:

Nurses with less than two years experience

Nurses lacking a four-year nursing degree

Individuals who have committed a crime

Nurses who lack sponsorship from a reputable nursing agency

- 1. How many steps are needed to be a nurse in USA? In Canada? Name them.
- 2. Tell about necessary requirements to be a nurse in USA.
- 3. How many hours does Foreign Educated Nurses course consist of? Which ones?
- 4. Re-read the text. Do you have all the requirements?
- 5. What can attract you in nursing education and work in USA? Why?