Nevada Growth Update: Changes after implementation of Full Practice Authority

As represented in this graphic, growth in Nevada has been steady and in the last 4 years has been steeply upward. In fact, since the passage of full practice authority, Nevada has seen a 33.4% growth or 463 newly licensed APRNs since 2013. The majority of those coming from other states are from states who have practice barriers currently in place.

Even when we started looking at the data, the upward tick in newly licensed APRNs started in 2012, a year before the legislative session.

Reference:
Nevada State Board of Nursing 2009-2015 annual reports
2016 numbers – Nevada State Board of Nursing News

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The graphic at left demonstrates growth in Nevada from 2000-2015. The darkest counties represent the highest growth and numbers of APRNs in the state.

Overall, 54% of Nevada APRNs practice in Clark county where the majority of the population lives, then Washoe county, then three rural communities – Carson County, Douglas County, and Elko County—demonstrating growth in the number of APRNs. You can also see negative growth in four rural counties.

### Nevada APRN Count by Residence (2001-2015) Small and Rural Counties

The graphic at right demonstrates rate of growth in the three top rural counties from 2001-2015. Some of the dramatic changes noted can be attributed to change in as little as one APRN in or out of the county as their numbers are quite small.

- Carson City County represents 1.8% of all APRNs in Nevada.
- Douglas County represents 1.8% of all APRNs in Nevada.
- Elko County represents 1.2% of all APRNs in Nevada.

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