# California's Challenges & Opportunities

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#### CHANGING PRIORITIES OF CA'S NURSING WORKFORCE

- Progressing from building educational capacity to maintaining gains
- > Educating more nurses at higher levels
- Retaining the classes of 2009 and 2010 with a looming shortage ahead of us
- Preparing for health care reform

#### **Overview of Presentation**

- Overview of CINHC
- Collaborative model...seamless progression of AD to BSN
- Transition to Practice Programs for new graduates
- Results of New Graduate Hiring Survey
- Health Care Reform and the nursing workforce

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## **Overview (cont.): Background**

- Group of nurses, across state, representing varied interests...but all with a common concern about lack of comprehensive, strategic plan for addressing the nurse shortage... established CINHC
- Sunset of CSPCN...had learnings to build upon
- Incorporated 12/2001; began program work 2003
- Convening/building coalitions of diverse stakeholder groups, serving as a catalyst for action, providing visionary leadership, creating 'single voice", and sponsoring programs
- Partnering with policy makers, key state agencies, educators, associations, and foundations

#### **Program Areas**

- Create a strategically driven Master Plan for the CA nursing workforce
- Build educational capacity in schools of nursing
- Increase diversity of nursing workforce
- Provide leadership development

#### Goal 1, *Building Educational Capacity,* used as a reference document by policy makers, educators, and funders.

Nursing schools have ramped up to meet CA's demand for more nurses; efforts have paid off. Since 2003/04:

#### Capacity in schools of nursing up 66%

- Enrollment increased 78% (110% over enrollment)
- ✓ Completion increased by 71%
- ✓ 34 more nursing programs
- Number of US nurses with active CA license up to 361,923...increase of 38% since 2004
- California now ranked 46<sup>th</sup> in nation for RNs/capita ...up to 638 RNs/capita (from 580 in 2004)

#### Goal 2, *Increasing Diversity of Nursing Workforce*, implementation underway

- Addressing recruitment, pipeline, retention, graduation, access to higher education...seeking funding to implement integrated demonstration projects in 3 schools of nursing
- Convening state's nursing ethnic organizations to reach out to students – mentor, tutoring
- CNCC Nurse Ambassador Program ...www.choosenursing.com
- California Campaign for Men in Nursing...DVD, regional chapters of AAMN established

#### **To Learn More:**

 Diversity Plan...Pilar Dela Cruz Reyes, Diversity Director

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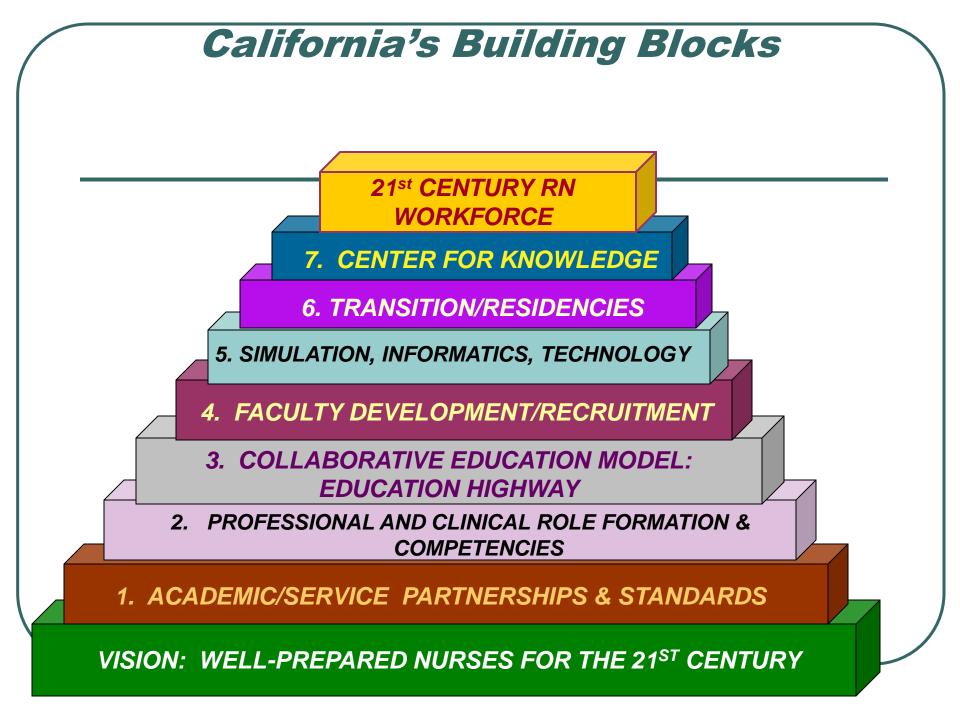
CNCC/Ambassador Program...Josie Clevenger

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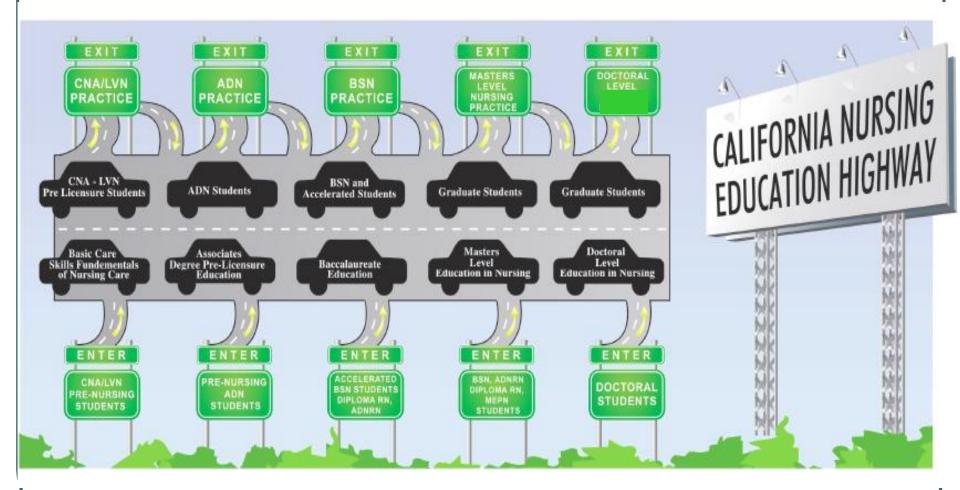
Men in Nursing...Bob Patterson bob@cinhc.org

#### Goal 3, *Nursing Education Redesign*, is providing the framework for education design and defining education priorities

- > Agreed upon competencies QSEN
- Collaborative Model (seamless progression AD to BSN)
- Faculty development
- High fidelity simulation as a modality for educating nurses
- > Transition programs/residencies



#### California's Education Highway



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# Need for more nurses educated at a higher level

- Driven by:
  - Faculty shortages
  - Hospitals on Magnet Journey
  - Demands of evolving health care delivery system
- 68% nurses educated at AD level in 2009
  - 45% SFBA
  - 77% LA I; 81% LA II
- 24% AD RNs continue to obtain BSN or higher degree
- Articulation model in place...but not adequate
- Greater diversity represented in ADN programs

# Collaborative Model... California's Approach

- Seamless progression from AD to BSN degree...that removes barriers to continuing along the Education Highway
- Examples existed that pointed the way
  - SSU and SCC
  - CSUCI and Moorpark College
  - OCNE
- Builds upon the contribution that AD programs make in nursing education...foundation
- Nearly unanimous agreement of White Paper

# Collaborative Model... California's Approach

- Regional approach...driven by collaboratives
- Funders stepped forward
  - Chancellor's Office for California Community Colleges
  - Kaiser Permanente Health Education Fund...East Bay Community Foundation
  - Foundation for California Community Colleges
- RFP call went out through CINHC in 2008
  - Phase 1 planning grants
  - Phase 2 implementation grants

# **Collaborative Model... RFP Requirements**

- Dual Admission
- Integrated Curriculum
- Shared Faculty
- Complete BSN within 1 more full-year of study
- Integration of QSEN competencies
- Overcome barriers to seamlessness
- Promote enrollment to nursing students
- Demonstrate Administrative support

## Collaborative Model... Progress (41 nursing programs)

<u>KP/FCCC Funding</u>: (\$250,000 per collaborative) Sonoma State University - 5 CC Humbolt State University - 2 CC CSU East Bay - 4 CC SF State University - 2 CC Fresno City College - 1 CC, 3 BSN CSU Channel Islands - 3 CC Cabrillo College - 3 CC, new CSU MB

<u>CCCC Funding</u> (\$150,000 per collaborative) College of Canyons – CSU Northridge Santa Monica College – CSU Dominquez Hills \*SFCC – SF State University Evergreen College – San Jose State University \*Napa College – Sonoma State University

\*overlapped with KP/FCCC funding

# Collaborative Model... Progress (cont.)

- Song Brown Funding for CSU SM and Mariposa College
- Sacramento State U and Sacramento City College continues
- CINHC is seeking additional funding through HRSA & private foundations for 3 more Collaboratives in Southern California:
  - CSU Los Angeles
  - CSU San Marcos
  - CSU Fullerton

#### • AB 1295...changes the Education Code

- Requires that CC and CSU Chancellors' offices implement articulated nursing degree transfer pathways that remove duplication of curriculum and provide for the seamless progression prior to the 2012-2013 Academic Year.
- Task Forces tackling various aspects of implementation
- ADN-to-BSN Web Resource site: <u>http://www.calstate.edu/app/programs/nursing/adn-bsn-nursing-pathways.shtml</u>

# **Collaborative Model...Next steps**

- Implementation underway
- All agreeing to common competencies (QSEN)
- Evaluation of programs to learn 'best practices"
- Tracking deliverables
- Working with CC and CSU chancellors' offices
  - Influencing policy change in nursing education...AB 1295
- Building interest in ADN to MSN
- 41 CA nursing programs already committed and leading the way!
- New collaboratives standing by...pending funding
- IS YOUR SCHOOL ONE OF THESE?
  - For more information contact: Diane Welch, Education Director...welchdd@frontinernet.net

# Hiring Dilemma of New Graduates...

- CA latest nursing workforce's challenge
- Top priority for state, major concern of CLWDA, CHA, ACNL, BRN
- Need to keep new graduates engaged in workforce and increase skills & competencies
- At the cusp of looming shortage

# **Impact of the Economic Crisis**

Worsening of the national economic crisis has changed RN workforce patterns, and new concerns emerge.

- Employment patterns of working nurses respond to the economy... "elastic workforce"
  - when economy is good, nurses work less
  - when economy is bad, nurses work more
- > Retirements are being delayed
- Experience nurses are taking the jobs that new graduates expected to fill

#### Background Data: 2009 RN Hiring Survey and Implications...(Survey of Employers of Nurses by CINHC & HASC, funded by GBMF)

- Economy resulted in fewer jobs for new RNs in hospitals
- Expected 40% of new graduates will not be hired in hospitals...
   Only 65% of hospitals report hiring new grads
- Non-acute facilities have positions available, but not resources to hire and train new graduates
- Through regional forum, learned solutions to keeping new RNs engaged and transitioned to the work force until economy recovers...Transition to Practice Programs
- Though new RNs having hard time finding jobs, shortage is not over
- Must maintain RESOLVE to continue to address the nurse shortage
- Took California 10 yrs to recover from last downturn in nursing education

# **Current California Hospital Vacancy Rates**

Hospital RN vacancies are incredibly low, with fewer positions available for new graduates

#### HASC Q2 2010 Hospital Vacancy Report

- Statewide 3.3% vacancy
- Northern California 2.7% vacancy
- Southern California 4.2% vacancy
- San Diego 1.9% vacancy

152 hospitals report only 2584 vacancies (~6200 statewide) STATEWIDE Turn Over rate is 2.2%

#### **The Answer: Community-Based Transition to Practice Programs (internships)**

### Objectives

- Keep new graduate engaged in the workforce
- Improve changes of employability
- Provide increase experience
- Build skills, competencies, & confidence to bridge the gap between education & practice
- Meet regional nursing workforce needs

# **Community-Based Transition Programs (cont.)**

#### Components

- Sponsored by regional collaborative...meeting local workforce needs
- Housed within a school of nursing...student status
- 12 to 18 weeks in length, min. 24 hrs/wk
- Training for specialty, non-acute, or intensive generalists
- Employer partners provide clinical coaches/preceptors
- Utilize high-fidelity simulation in training
- Meet agreed upon competencies QSEN
- Provide Industry Recognized Certificate of Completion

# **Transition Programs have been Launched!**

- SFBA funded by GBMF & KP (WIB & In-kind from partners)
- 4 collaboratives funded at:
  - CSU EB
  - Samuel Merritt University
  - South Bay Workforce Institute
  - USF
- Service partners include hospitals, consortium of community clinics, schools nurses, hospices, LTC
- Independently organized, but based on common concepts and similar requirements

#### **Common characteristics**

- Schools of nursing provide liability coverage and curriculum (designed with service partners) that builds skills & competencies through guided & extended experiential learning
- Incorporate clinical, didactic, simulation lab, and web based learning
- **Training** provided to preceptors
- Evaluate success and improved readiness for practice based on QSEN competencies for professional practice...use common evaluation tool
- Award academic credit towards BSN or MSN
- Award Industry Recognized Certificate of Completion

#### **Outcomes to date**

Prog Lead	#App	# Part	#Hired	Other
CSUEB	90	52	33	WIB \$
SMU	245	96	40	
South Bay	95	13	1	10/4/10
USF	70	20	7	current

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#### **Transition to Practice Prog (cont.)**

- Momentum is building...interest across state
  - LA, Orange/Riverside County, San Diego, Central Valley
- Funding to get started
  - Federal funds, foundations, WIB
- Utilize learnings from SFBA demonstration projects and adopt consistent basic components...leading to IRCC
- Link to statewide task force...residencies
- ? Change the way we education nursing

### **Interested in learning more?**

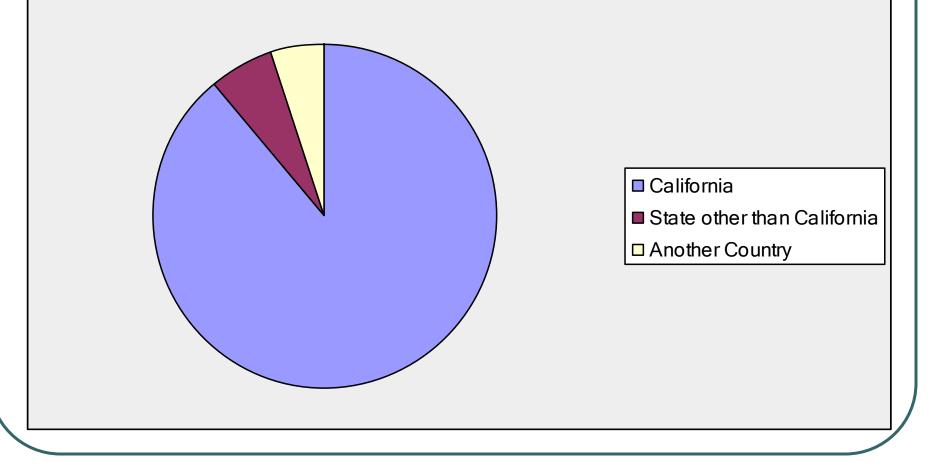
- Contact: Nikki West, project leader <u>nikki@cinhc.org</u>
- Webair to be presented in January
  Check out CINHC web site

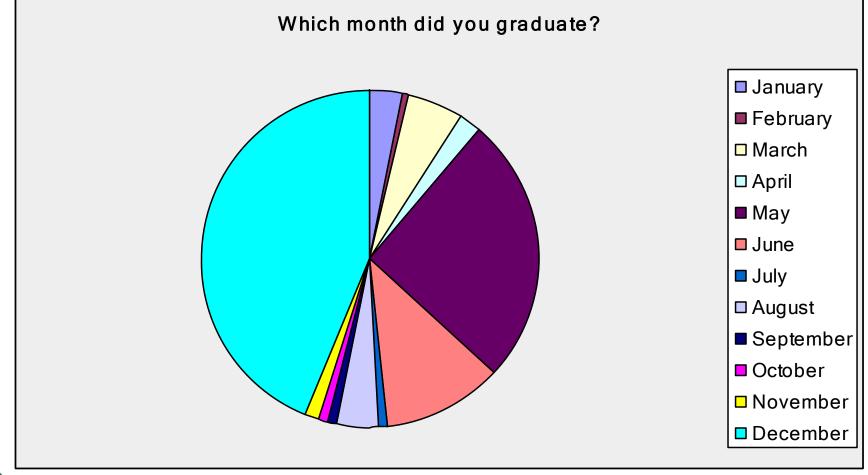
## More Data to Tell the Story

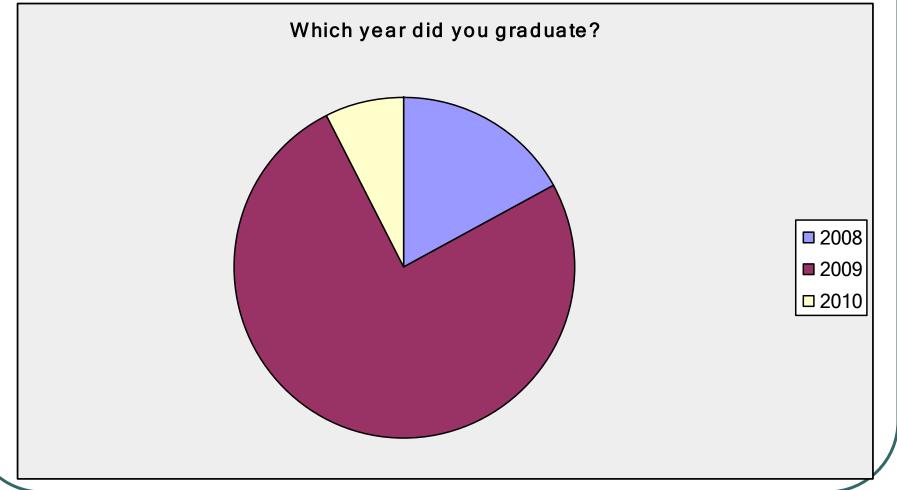
- New Graduate Hiring Experience survey conducted in July 2010, to learn their side of the story
- Hospital CNOs update on the hiring of new graduates and the status of the hospital nurse workforce
  - To be administered October 2010
  - Conducted by UCSF in partnership with CINHC and HASC, funded by Moore Foundation

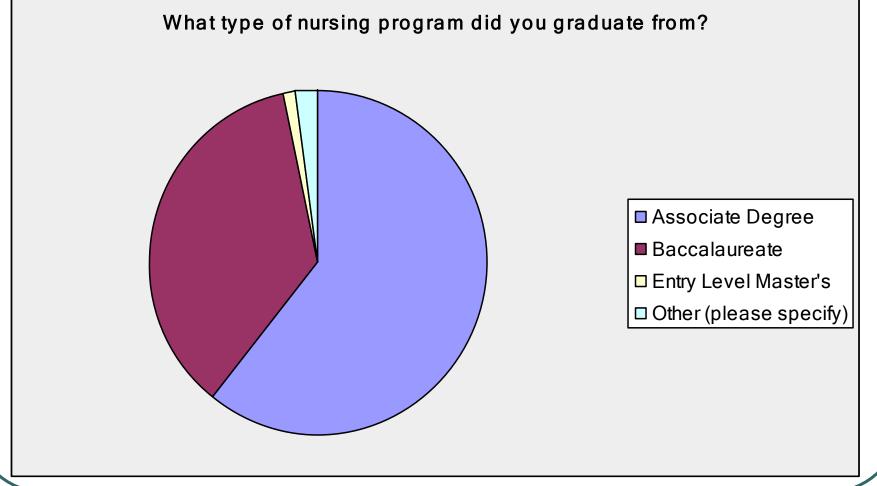
- Sponsored by CINHC, BRN, ACNL, CASN, CCCC, UCLA SoN
- Random selection of 15,000 newly licensed CA nurses in 2009, 1<sup>st</sup> qtr 2010
- Over 1050 responded
- Invited by BRN to participate in the survey on Survey Monkey

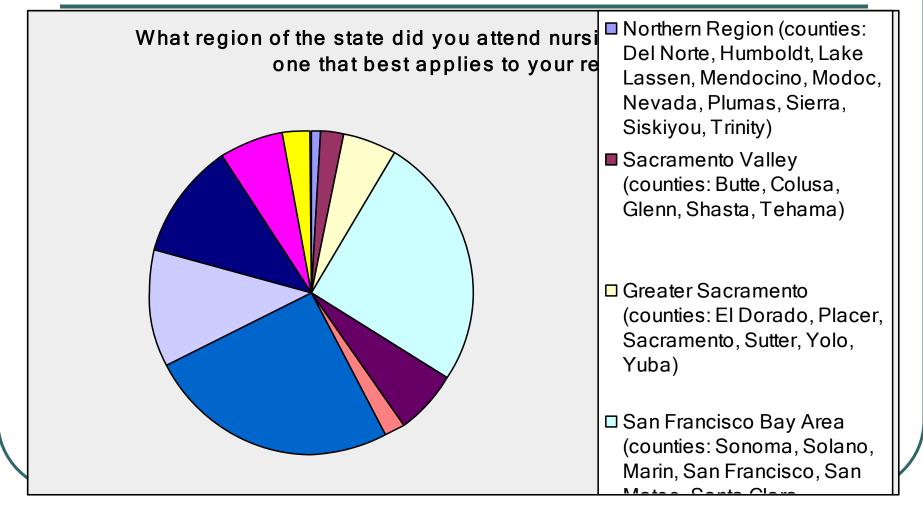
#### Where did you complete your RN nursing school education?

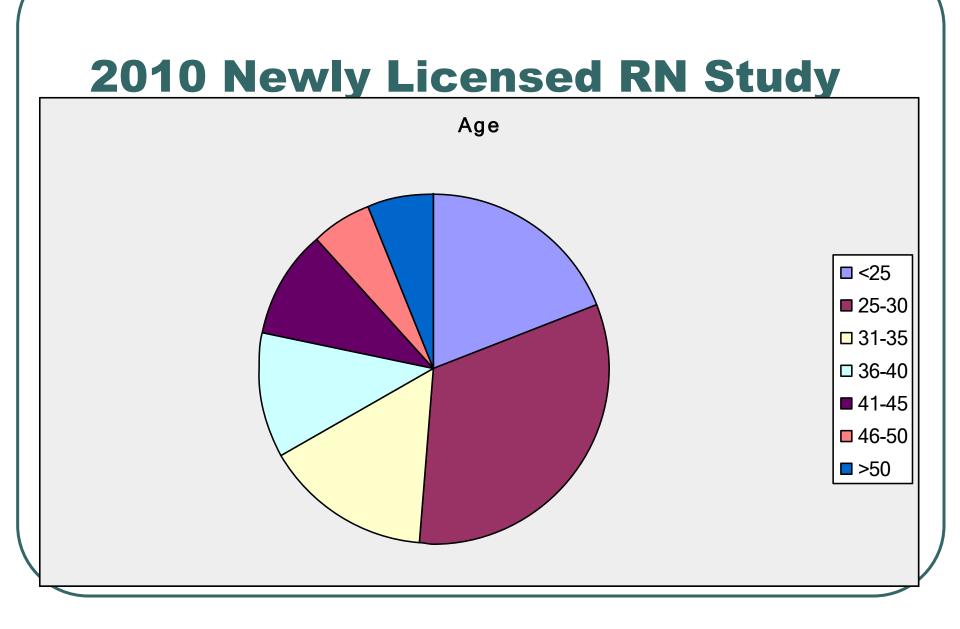


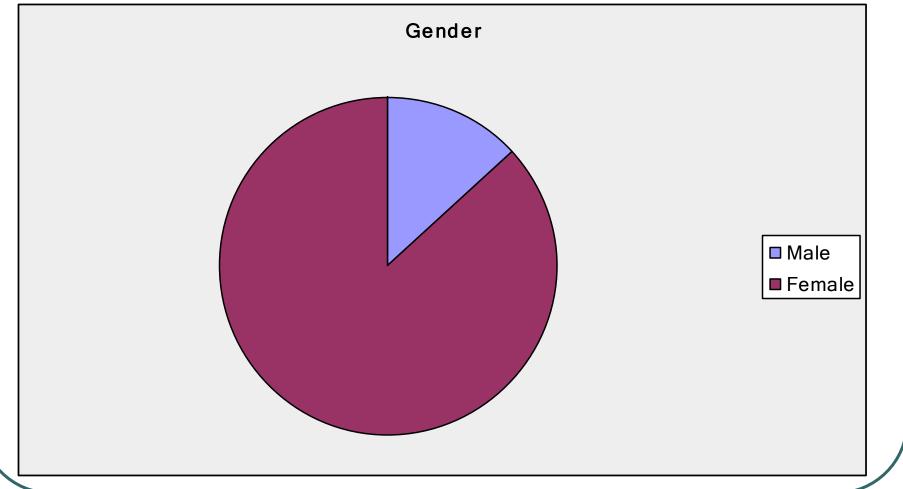


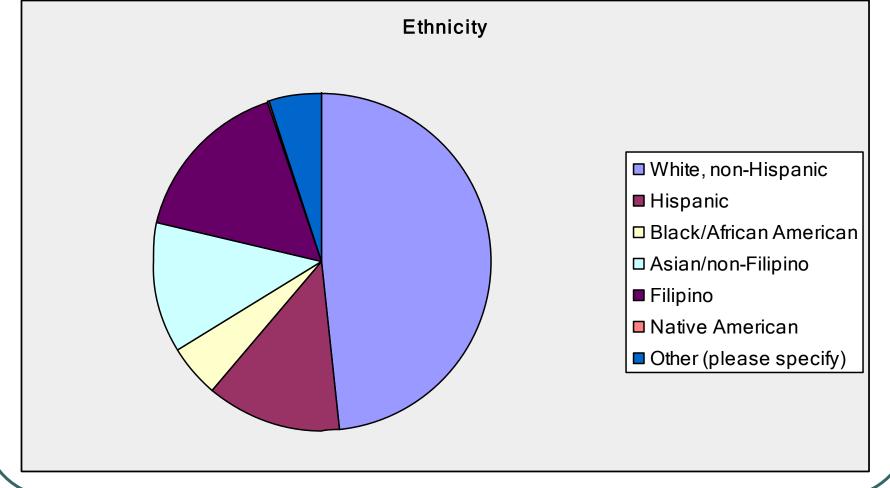




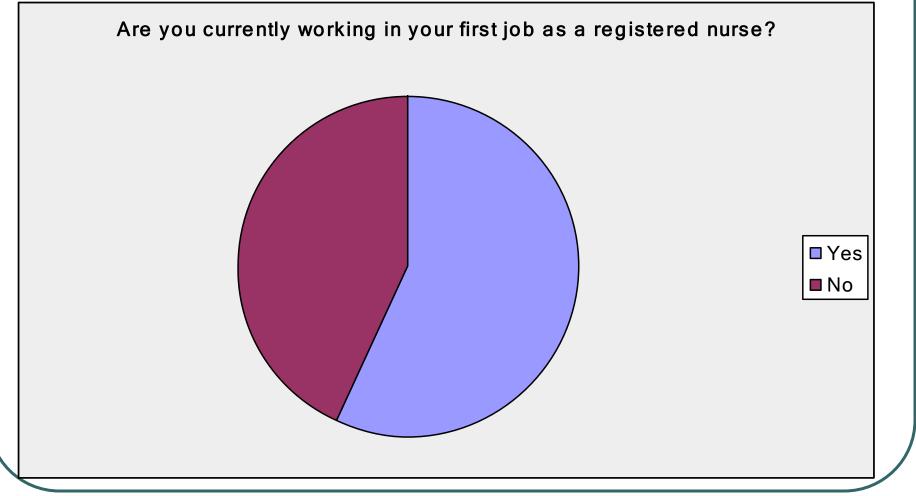


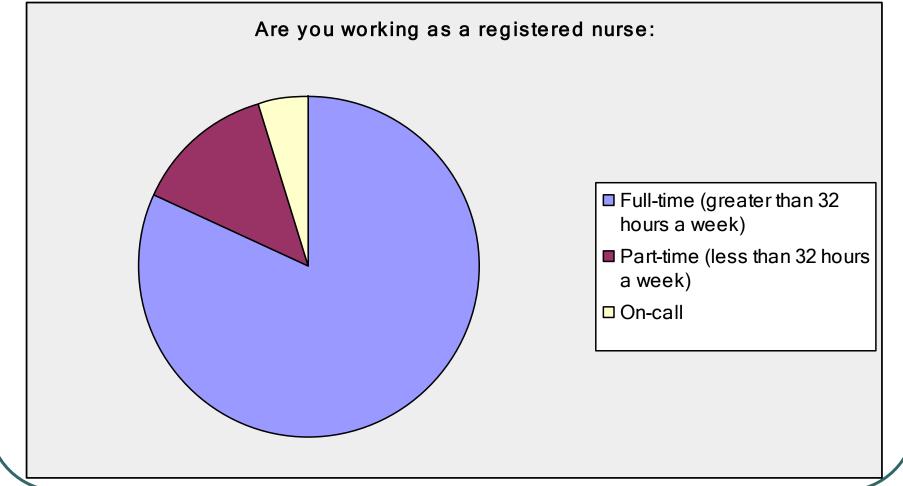


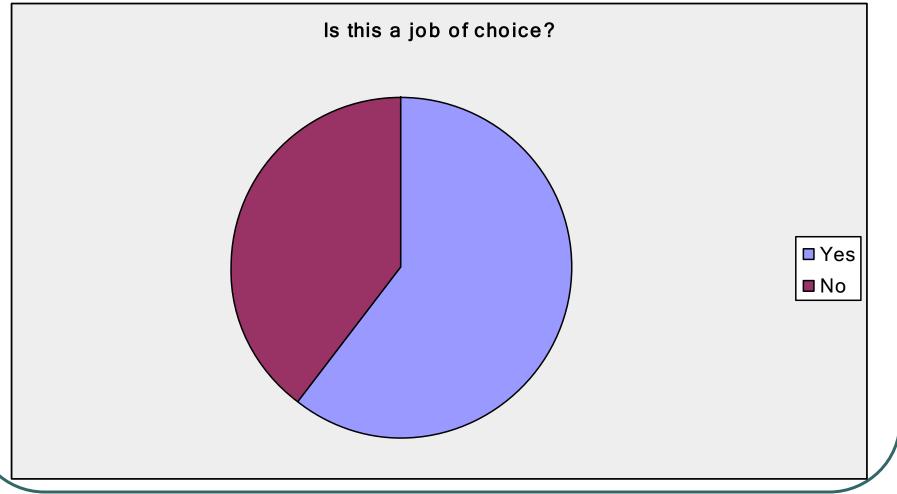


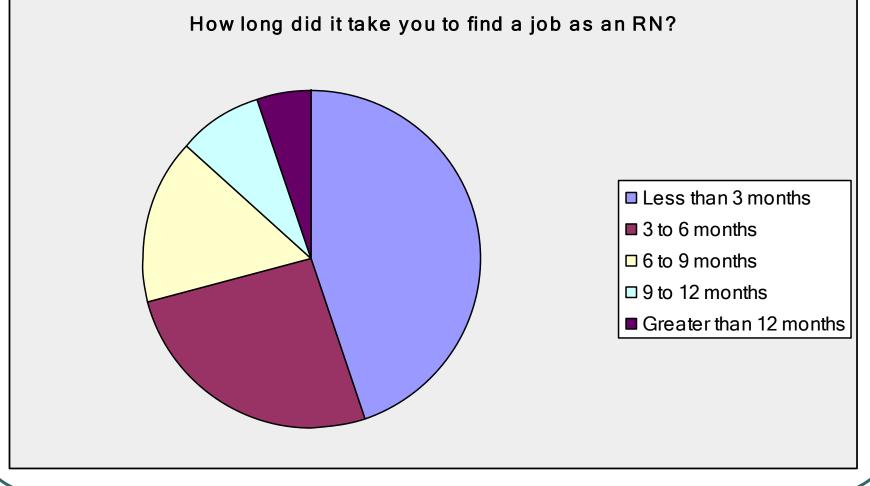


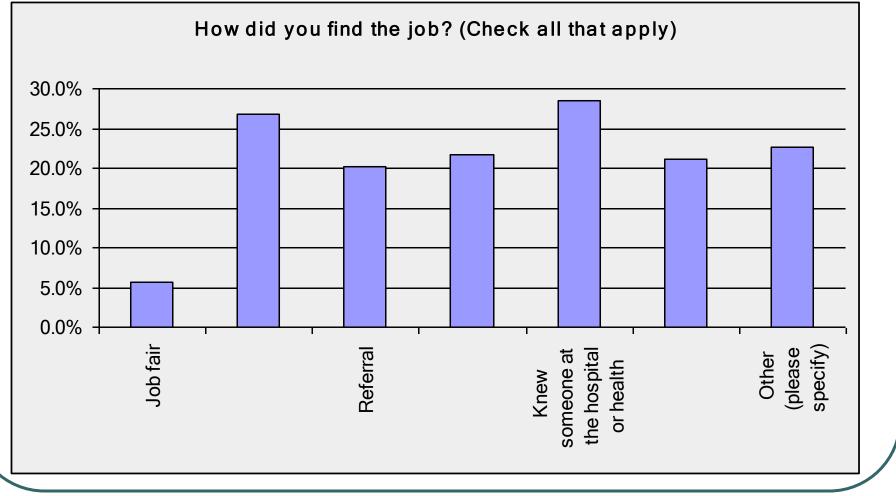
#### **2010 Newly Licensed RN Study** ■ Northern Region (counties: What region of the state do you reside in? (C Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake applies to where you are livi Lassen, Mendocino, Modoc, Nevada, Plumas, Sierra, Siskiyou, Trinity) Sacramento Valley (counties: Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Shasta, Tehama) Greater Sacramento (counties: El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo, Yuba) □ San Francisco Bay Area (counties: Sonoma, Solano, Marin, San Francisco, San

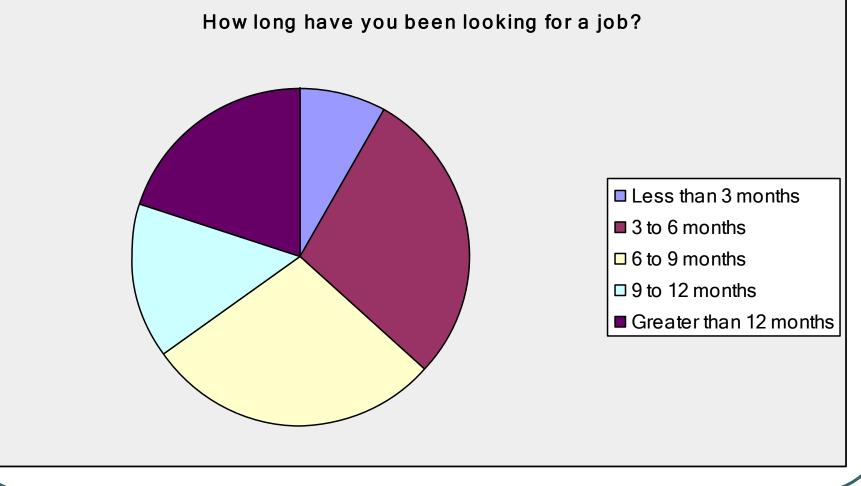




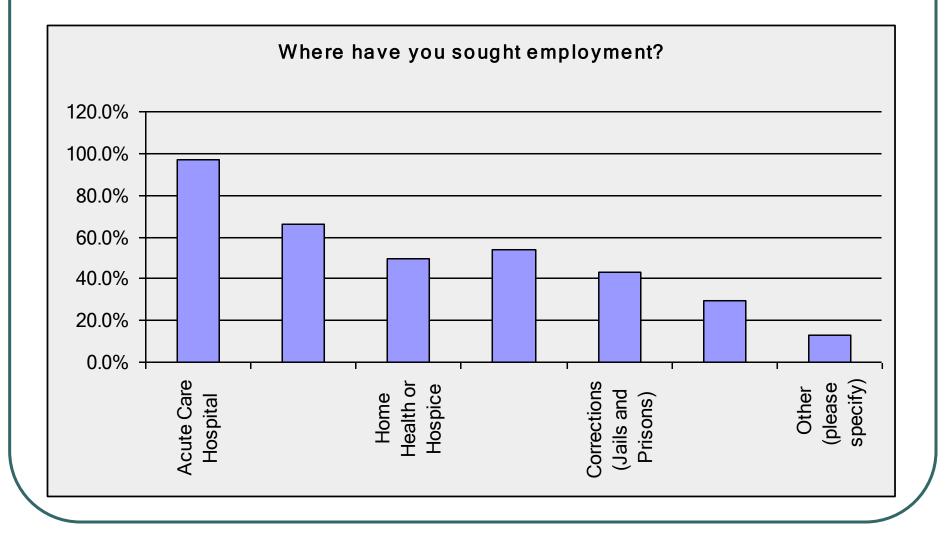




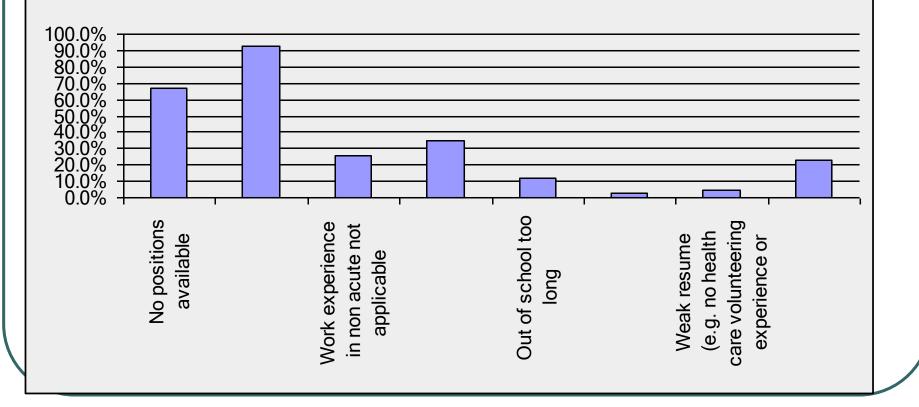


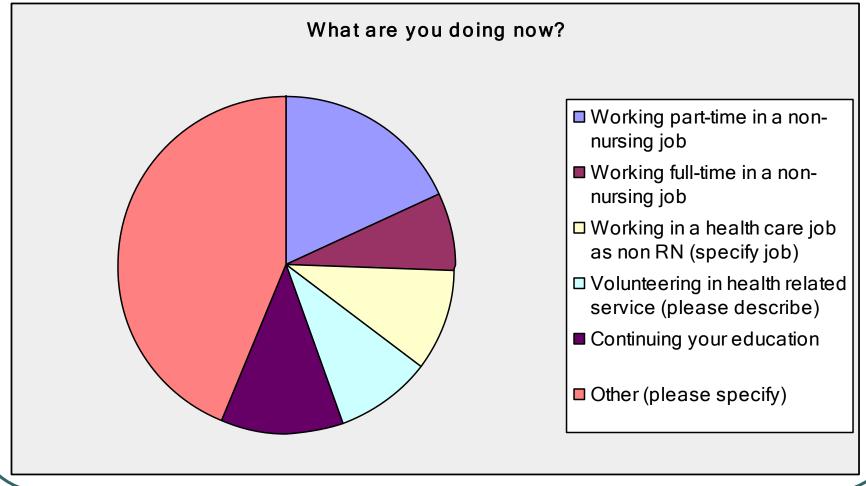




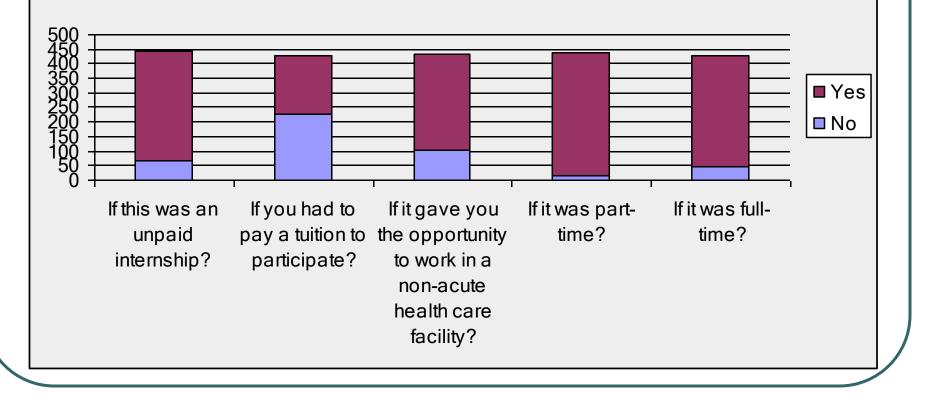


What reasons were you given for not being offered jobs? (check all that apply)





Would you have interest in participating in a transition to practice program (internship) that would give you the opportunity to increase your skills and competencies as a nurse:



#### California Board of Registered Nursing New Grad Survey

How long have you been looking for a job?			
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count	
Less than 3 months 3 to 6 months 6 to 9 months	8.4% 28.1% 28.5%	37 123 125	
9 to 12 months Greater than 12 months	14.8% 20.1%	65 88	
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#### **Overview...National Picture**

- In 2007 and 2008 Hospital Employment of RNs increased by 243,000
  - Largest 2 year increase in 40 years
  - Over ½ of these RNs over the age of 50
  - More than 50,000 moved from non-hospital to hospital settings
- 2001-2008 77% of the total increase were RNs over the age of 50
- 16.3% of workforce foreign born, with an increase of 48,000 in 2008

# **National Picture (cont.)**

- Good News!
  - Increase surge in ages of 23 to 25 years not seen since 1982
  - Interest in nursing remains high yearly, ~ 30,000 qualified applicants turned away
- Impact of Economic Recession
  - ?jobless recover?
  - California's story reflects the rest of the country
  - Speed of recovery will directly impact the timing of RNs withdrawal from job market

Peter Buerhaus Nursing Economics Oct 2009;Health Affairs June 2009

## New Focus: Health Care Reform and CA Nurses

- CINHC will be providing statewide leadership to convene stakeholders to develop a framework for how California needs to ensure the nursing workforce is prepared to meet the demand of health care reform, incorporating recommendations from IOM/RWJF Commission on the Future of Nursing (FON)
- Similar format to developing White Paper on Education Redesign...stakeholders/thought leaders
- Will **link with other efforts** rolling out to address HCR
  - WIB...Dr. Carlisle/Barbara Halsey...Kim Belshe
  - CHWA
  - CA APN, Public Health initiatives, CHA
- In partnership with CA Team to CCNA/AARP and the newly appointed CA team by RWJF to implement the FON Recommendations

# **HCR/FON Next Steps:**

- Deloras Jones appointed "team leader" of FON's Regional Action Coalition (RAC) (thus will allow effective linking with CINHC effort to address HCR)...will attend invitational Nov 30/Dec1
- Co-team leader (non-nurse) to be identified
- Planning meeting to be held in November
- Potential to provide access to hearing deliberations of Nov 30/Dec 1 invitational at UC Davis
- Stay tuned...we need all of you to shape the future of nursing in CA
- Liana Hain will present recommendations from the IOM/RWJF Commission on the Future of Nursing

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