

Wisconsin Nurses Association: Nurses to provide briefing to legislators on Wisconsin's nurse shortage

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MADISON | MILWAUKEE, WI - Representatives from the Wisconsin Center for Nursing and Wisconsin Nurses Association are inviting Wisconsin legislators to a briefing about Wisconsin's Nurse Shortage. The briefing will include information about the supply and demand for:

- Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs),
- Registered Nurses (RNs),
- Nurse Educators,
- Key factors contributing to the shortage and,
- Recommendations for addressing.

Like other states, Wisconsin continues to see a statewide nursing shortage. Wisconsin is fortunate in having data submitted by every nurse that is used to identify the current and future status of the nursing supply.

Recent DWD/WCN reports from 2021 and 2022 indicate that the growing shortages are a result of both an **increase** in demand and **decrease** in supply. Barbara Nichols, Executive Director of the Wisconsin Center for Nursing stated. "It is the rising demand for nurses, severe shortages of faculty and the growing explosion of elderly patient needs that fuel the present shortage."

"We find it important to provide this information to legislators so we can have meaningful collaborative discussions on how to best address this shortage," states



Gina Dennik-Champion, Executive Director of the Wisconsin Nurses Association.

The briefing will be held on Wednesday, May 24, 2023, from 9:00 am – 10:00 am,
State Capitol, Room 201 Southeast