

**655—1.3(17A,152,152E,272C) Responsibilities.** The responsibilities of the board include but are not limited to:

1. Licensing qualified applicants for the practice of nursing by examination, endorsement, renewal, and compact privilege pursuant to Iowa Code chapters 147, 152, 152E, and 272C.
2. Conducting investigations and imposing discipline for violations of statutes or rules related to the practice of nursing pursuant to Iowa Code chapters 147, 152, and 272C.
3. Approving nursing education programs pursuant to Iowa Code section 152.5.
4. Collecting, analyzing, and disseminating nursing workforce data pursuant to Iowa Code section 152.4.
5. Approving continuing education providers to ensure continued competency of individuals licensed by the board to practice nursing pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 272C.
6. Administering the Iowa nurse assistance program to support the evaluation and monitoring of licensees who are impaired as a result of any substance use or mental or physical condition pursuant to Iowa Code section 272C.3.
7. Overseeing the nursing profession through policymaking, rule making, and advocating for and against legislation pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.11B.

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