

Veterans Bachelor of Science in Nursing

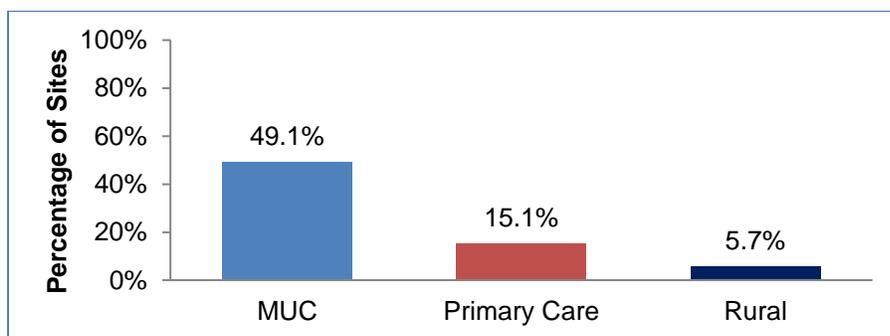
Academic Year 2015-2016

The Nurse Education, Practice, Quality, and Retention program (NEPQR) has a variety of legislative goals and purposes that ultimately aim to increase the size, preparation, and quality of the nursing workforce. The Veterans Bachelor of Science in Nursing (VBSN) program is one sub-component within NEPQR, where the primary goal is to facilitate the transition of veterans into the field of professional nursing while building upon skills, knowledge, and training acquired during military service. Below is a descriptive summary of the characteristics and accomplishments of grantee programs and trainees who received VBSN support during Academic Year 2015-2016.

Program Characteristics

| Program Name | Grantees | Trainees | Trainee Characteristics | | | | Graduates/ Program Completers |
|--------------|----------|----------|---------------------------------|-------|---------------|-------|----------------------------------|
| | | | Underrepresented Minority (URM) | | Disadvantaged | | |
| VBSN | 31 | 755 | 255 | 33.8% | 168 | 22.3% | 136 |

Clinical Training Settings



Note: A Medically Underserved Community (MUC) is a geographic location or population of individuals that is eligible for designation by a state and/or the federal government as a health professions shortage area, medically underserved area, and/or medically underserved population. Training settings are not mutually exclusive.

VBSN Program Facts

- Approximately 49 percent of BSN trainees were males.
- Clinical training sites served a variety of vulnerable populations, including veterans (54 percent), the military and their families (42 percent), and those returning from Iraq and Afghanistan (28 percent).
- Graduates intended to practice in MUCs (29 percent), primary care settings (26 percent), and/or rural areas (5 percent).
- Approximately 37 percent of trainees intended to apply to advanced nursing degree programs following BSN completion.

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