

## Program Goals, Core Values, and Student Learning Outcomes

### Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) Program

#### Western New Mexico University School of Nursing

#### Program Goals

Graduates of the MSN program with its focus on community and rural/frontier health will:

1. Promote improvement in quality outcomes within the healthcare system through education, innovation, interprofessional collaboration, and policy initiatives.
2. Serve as leaders by demonstrating excellence and professionalism in practice, patient-provider relationships, and collaboration with community partners.
3. Apply evidence-based practices to solve issues or problems in healthcare, community, and global settings.

#### Core Values

The MSN program with its focus on community and rural/frontier healthcare strives to facilitate the ability of graduate nursing students to achieve the following objectives:

1. **Excellence** in clinical practice and healthcare delivery to communities and rural/frontier areas
2. **Integrity** as healthcare professionals entrusted with the lives of individuals, especially those who reside in communities and rural/frontier areas of southwestern New Mexico
3. **Leadership** as healthcare professionals dedicated to the overall health and well-being of communities and rural/frontier areas
4. **Scholarship** by means of maintaining an attitude of lifelong learning

#### Student Learning Outcomes

Graduates of the MSN program with its focus on community and rural/frontier health will:

1. Employ collaborative strategies in the design, coordination, and evaluation of outcomes across diverse populations to improve quality of care.
2. Apply decision-making and leadership skills in the provision of culturally-responsive, high-quality healthcare through community partnerships.
3. Translate evidence into practice from nursing science and other sciences into the delivery of care to rural/frontier underserved communities.
4. Analyze current and emerging technologies to support safe practice environments and to optimize patient safety, cost effectiveness, and health outcomes.
5. Advocate for care that is based on ethical principles and respects diversity, equity, and inclusion.