



New York League for Nursing (NYLN) Fall 2025 Virtual Conference
Theme: *Enhancing Student Success: Strategies for NCLEX Preparation, Retention & Mentoring*

Date: Friday, October 24, 2025

Time: 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM (EST)

1. **10:00 AM – 10:15 AM-** Introduction and Welcome
2. **10:15 AM – 11:00 AM-** Student Success on the NCLEX
 - Formation of an Academic Success Team
 - Presenters: Susan Riekert, PhD, RN, ACUE-
Queensborough Community College (CUNY)
 - NCLEX Success Strategies including identification of at-risk students, ATI integration and required NCLEX review
 - Presenters: Sara Annunziato, MSN, RN Dean of Nursing, Health and Wellness- **Rockland Community College**
3. **11:00 AM – 11:45 AM-** Retention Rates & Student Support
 - Faculty Coach Pilot
 - Presenters: Elizabeth Mauro MSN, RN- **Queensborough Community College**
 - Retention Strategies including advising, mentorship, and data-driven curriculum evaluation
 - Presenters: Sara Annunziato MSN, RN Dean of Nursing, Health and Wellness- **Rockland Community College**
 - An innovative approach to support student success and retention in an Accelerated Bachelor of Science in nursing program
 - Presenters- Joanne M Knoesel PhD, RN-BC, CNE, FNAP, Elizabeth Berro PhD, RN, CHSE, CNE- **Pace University**
4. **11:45 AM – 12:15 PM-** NYLN Business Meeting
5. **12:15 PM – 12:45 PM-** Mentoring & Advising Programs

- Student Champion Pilot
 - Presenters: Kathleen Pecinka MS RN CNE CNEcl & Susan Riekert, PhD, RN, ACUE, **Queensborough Community College**
- Success Coaching: A Proactive Student Support Strategy
 - Presenters: Karen Arca-Contreras, DNP,RN, BC, Associate Professor, Success Coaching Program Coordinator and Jennifer Macchiarola, DNP, RN, FNP-BC, Doctoral Lecturer, Associate Applied Sciences Program Coordinator- **College of Staten Island**

6. **12:45 PM – 1:00 PM-** Closing