

# Next Generation NCLEX® Update

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Expert guidance for every step of Next Generation NCLEX.

Welcome to Elsevier's *Next Generation NCLEX Update* where we connect you with valuable information, expert advice, and breaking news from the NCSBN®. We are closely monitoring NCSBN communications about the Next Generation NCLEX (NGN) and developing tools and resources to keep you informed about how the latest developments could affect your program.

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## THE LATEST NGN UPDATES

### Next Generation NCLEX® (NGN) Live Event – *What You Should Know*



The (NGN) is coming, bringing a change to the way the test is designed. Although there is time before the new exam rolls out (no sooner than April 2023), this is a looming change for nursing programs to focus more on clinical judgment and new test items, and preparation for this change needs to be taken sooner, rather than later.

On Monday, March 15, Elsevier hosted an NGN digital event with a variety of key NGN players, including NCSBN's Chief Operating Officer, Phil Dickison, Elsevier authors, Donna Ignatavicius and Linda Silvestri, and Elsevier's Director for HESI Content Operations, Donna Spivey, giving faculty insights into new test updates and how they can plan ahead in their courses. Here are some of the key takeaways from the event:

### Updates from the NCSBN

- Unfolding case studies will include six items in a case, with a rendition of a client care record that provides data as the basis for the questions. Item types are associated with the six cognitive skills outlined in Layer 3 of the NCSBN Nursing Clinical Judgment Measurement Model (NCJMM) tested in these case studies.

- Standalone items will include similar client care record tabs with information regarding the question, but there will be a single test item monitoring aspects of clinical judgment compared to the unfolding case study.
- The new scoring model will have polytomous scoring with partial credit given to nursing candidates to accommodate a more precise measurement for the new item types. This also reduces the impact of random guessing. The partial credit varies among the different item types.
- To prepare students for the NGN, Donna Ignatavicius and Linda Silvestri suggest three phases: 1) focus on clinical judgment, 2) introduction to the new NGN test items, and 3) readiness for the NGN.
- To bring clinical judgment to the forefront of simulation and clinical lab, faculty should focus on how students think through their decision-making process, in addition to whether they did the right thing in the given clinical scenario.
- Regarding NCLEX pass rates, students who are taking minimum-length exams and passing are doing well with clinical judgment based on the special research section. Those who are taking the maximum-length exam will be the most impacted by the NGN.



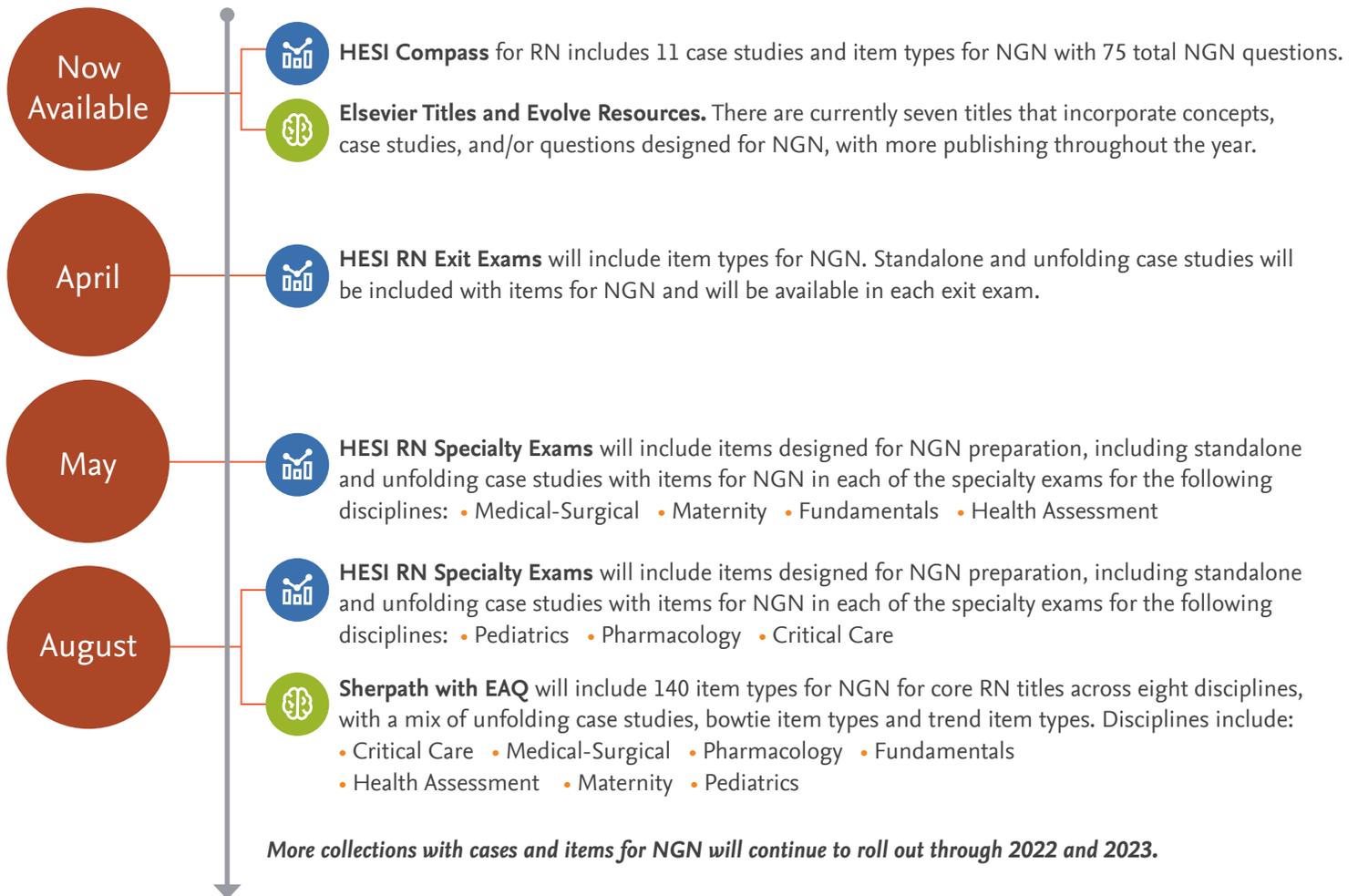
> [Click here](#) to read more key takeaways and view the recording.

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## NGN DIGITAL SOLUTIONS ROADMAP



**Looking for more information regarding changes to the NCLEX?** Stay up to date with Elsevier's NGN events, explore our expertise, and learn more about educator resources on our website. > [Click Here](#)

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## PRODUCT SPOTLIGHT

### Build Knowledge

#### Sherpath with EAQ

Our team of subject matter experts are hard at work developing comprehensive item types for NGN to ensure you have the tools you need to begin preparing students. In addition to the Sherpath collections that will include item types for NGN for fall 2021, item types for NGN will also be available by spring 2022 in additional RN collections, select PN collections, and for many of our Canadian collections.

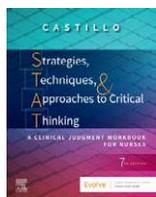
These cases and questions are modeled after the new item types outlined by the NCSBN so that students can begin gaining practical experience with NGN items. To learn more about the item types available on the NGN, visit the [NCSBN website](#).

Full performance reporting on items helps instructors understand how students are performing at both the course and individual level.

### NEW NGN TITLES

These books incorporate NGN concepts, case studies, and/or questions.

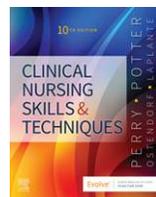
#### Now Available



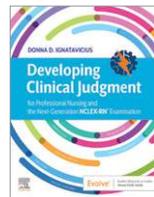
[Strategies, Techniques, & Approaches to Critical Thinking, 7th Edition](#)



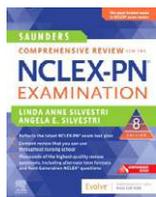
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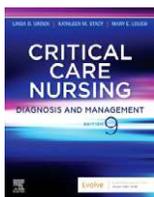
[Clinical Nursing Skills & Techniques, 10th Edition](#)



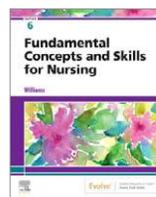
[Developing Clinical Judgment for Professional Nursing and the Next-Generation NCLEX-RN Examination](#)



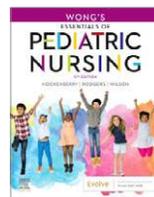
[Saunders Comprehensive Review for the NCLEX-PN Examination, 8th Edition](#)



[Critical Care Nursing, 9th Edition](#)

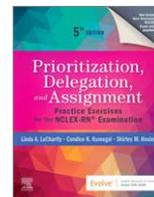


[Fundamental Concepts and Skills for Nursing, 6th Edition](#)



[Wong's Essentials of Pediatric Nursing, 11th Edition](#)

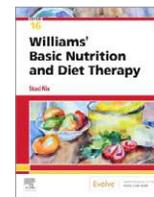
#### Coming Soon



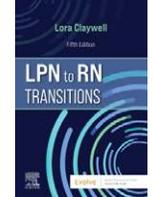
**MAY 2021**  
[Prioritization, Delegation, and Assignment: Practice Exercises for the NCLEX-RN Examination, 5th Edition](#)



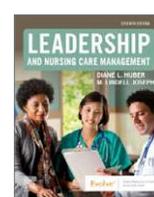
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[Ebersole and Hess' Gerontological Nursing & Healthy Aging, 6th Edition](#)



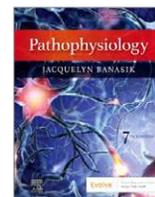
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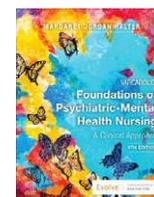
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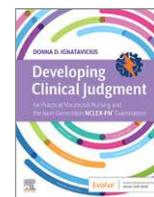
**AUGUST 2021**  
[Leadership and Nursing Care Management, 7th Edition](#)



**AUGUST 2021**  
[Pathophysiology, 7th Edition](#)



**AUGUST 2021**  
[Varcarolis' Foundations of Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing, 9th Edition](#)



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[Developing Clinical Judgment for Practical/Vocational Nursing and the Next-Generation NCLEX-PN Examination](#)

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## PRODUCT SPOTLIGHT

### Apply Clinical Judgment

Ensure strong clinical judgment skills through innovative, reliable simulation solutions.

### NEW SIMULATION TOOLS

#### Shadow Health

Shadow Health's Digital Clinical Experiences™ is designed to augment courses for nursing students. Students engage with Digital Standardized Patients™ using a state-of-the-art conversation engine and interactive 3D imagery to perform assessments, practice documentation, and demonstrate critical thinking.

Shadow Health provides cutting-edge simulations to effectively support the needs of nursing educators who seek to improve learning outcomes and practice readiness for future nurses. The addition of Shadow Health's virtual simulations to Elsevier's learning and assessment solutions provides an even more comprehensive offering to support nursing program goals.

#### Simulation Learning System for RN with Virtual Reality (SLS with VR)

Enhance student clinical judgment with the first hands-on nursing virtual reality simulation of its kind. SLS with VR allows you to step into a completely immersive virtual reality environment and experience clinical nursing in a whole new way. In collaboration with SimX, an industry-leading virtual reality company, Elsevier's new nursing solution will change the way students learn, and ensure they are ready for practice.

Just like in a traditional simulation lab, the instructor facilitates the virtual reality experience through easy-to-use software that allows multiple students to experience the virtual reality simulation at the same time. To make the experience even

more engaging, students not participating in the simulation can observe on a computer monitor and actually see what the students in the headset are seeing.

> [Explore all of Elsevier's simulation offerings](#)



### Assess & Review

With the addition of item types for NGN in our assessment tools, students can prepare for how the exam will change.

#### HESI Next Generation

Both HESI Exit Exams and Specialty Exams will incorporate item types that reflect the NGN throughout the year, starting this spring. There will be a landing page at the end of each HESI exam that shows the score, links to remediation, and explains and links to the NGN items. NGN items will not impact the HESI scores until January 2023, but will serve as a means to evaluate and confirm their validity and reliability. If instructors choose to implement these NGN items, each student will be able to see their performance.

#### HESI Compass

Implement unfolding or standalone cases with new item types in your final NCLEX review through HESI Compass. Available starting Spring 2021, these non-scored cases for NGN are presented as extra clinical judgment practice in the course, giving you the opportunity to test the integration of these new item types in your curriculum. See how students are performing to NGN standards in the crucial period leading up to graduation and taking the NCLEX.



## MEET OUR NGN EXPERTS



### Paul Crockett, Vice President of Product and Innovation

Paul is Vice President of Product and Innovation at Elsevier and formerly the Co-founder and CEO of Authess, an education-technology company focused on authentic, problem-based assessment, which was acquired by Elsevier in 2020. With more than 25 years of experience in the educational publishing and technology industry, improving peoples' lives through learning has been the common thread and passion of his career. Paul has held executive-level positions leading innovation, strategy, and product management. Paul and his team are currently focused on enhancing Elsevier's market-leading assessment portfolio, including preparation for the Next Generation NCLEX.



### Stefanie Snajder, Principal Product Manager

An experienced product manager, Stef joined Elsevier as the Principal Product Manager of Authess in September 2020. She brings to the role over 20 years of experience in educational publishing and educational technology product development, including curriculum development, elementary teaching, product management, software development, and visual design. Stef is currently focused on bringing scalable and innovative authoring solutions to Elsevier and our customers, starting with the Next Generation NCLEX.



### Donna Spivey, DNP, RN; Director of HESI Content Operations

In her current role as Director of HESI Content Operations at Elsevier, Donna manages all aspects of content development and operations for HESI testing and curriculum content, which includes ensuring successful integration of Next Generation NCLEX content. Donna brings over 30 years of experience as a nurse and over 10 years of experience as a nurse educator to her role.



### Roxanne Holthaus, MS, RN, FNP, CHSE; Digital Learning Content Expert

Roxanne joined the Digital Content Team at Elsevier in July 2016. Prior to joining Elsevier, she was an Assistant Professor of Nursing in an ADN program within the SUNY system in NY state and was the Simulation Education Coordinator for their nursing degree program. She brings an additional 26 years of nursing experience to her role. She works closely with her team on content development for Sherpath and EAQ, as well as increased development of comprehensive items across RN and PN content areas.



### Kim Brunnert, PhD, CESP; Director of Psychometrics for HESI Review & Testing

As the director of Psychometrics for HESI Review and Testing at Elsevier, Dr. Kim Brunnert produces reports, analyzes data, runs research, and investigates innovative ideas to preserve the integrity of HESI secure assessments and the resulting data and reports. In addition to her work in psychometrics and research, Dr. Brunnert also promotes academic integrity, proctoring, and test security best practices.



### Linda Silvestri, PhD, RN, FAAN; Elsevier NGN Consultant and Author

Linda Silvestri, the most trusted name in NCLEX review, is the author of what's often called the "best NCLEX exam review book ever," [Saunders Comprehensive Review for the NCLEX-RN® Examination](#). Linda is a well-known nurse educator, entrepreneur, and philanthropist whose professional aspirations focus on assisting nursing students to become successful. She has been teaching nursing students for years at all levels of nursing education and currently teaches at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV).



### Donna D. Ignatavicius, MS, RN, CNE, CNEcl, ANEF; Elsevier NGN Consultant and Author

Nationally recognized as an expert in nursing education and medical-surgical/gerontological nursing, Donna "Iggy" Ignatavicius has a wealth of experience in education, clinical nursing, and administration. She has taught in PN, diploma, AD, and BSN programs for many years. She is also the author of the leading textbook, [Medical-Surgical Nursing: Concepts for Interprofessional Collaborative Care, 10th Edition](#). Her latest Elsevier textbook [Developing Clinical Judgment for Professional Nursing and the Next-Generation NCLEX-RN® Examination](#) is also now available.