The Interagency Collaborative on Nursing Statistics (ICONS) promotes the generation of data and research on the nursing workforce. Members of ICONS include representatives from numerous organizations and government agencies that have expressed a commitment to research about nurses, nursing education, and the nursing workforce through their missions, goals, or strategic plans.
MISSION OF ICONS

To promote and strengthen the scholarly exchange of nursing workforce research and data in the context of national and global nursing workforce.

VISION OF ICONS

To lead in the advancement of health services research related to national and global nursing.

GOALS OF ICONS

Enhance collaboration among member organizations/agencies and others regarding data, information and research.

Promote the use of definitions and terminology in nursing research recommended by ICONS.

Facilitate the identification of established resources on national and global nursing research.

Enhance the accessibility of data, information and research.

RESOURCES AVAILABLE FROM ICONS

Definitions document – the definitions and terminology recommended by ICONS for use in nursing research.

Nursing workforce data resources – a summary of data collection initiatives and data sets available through ICONS member organizations.

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- American Association of Nurse Practitioners (AANP)
- American College of Nurse-Midwives (ACNM)
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- National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists (NACNS)
- National Center for Health Statistics (CDC)
- National Center for Health Workforce Analysis, Office of Workforce Development and Analysis, Bureau of Health Workforce (HRSA)
- National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN)
- National Forum of State Nursing Workforce Centers
- National League for Nursing (NLN)
- National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NONPF)

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