

# TRANSITIONING FROM CLINICIAN TO CLINICAL EDUCATOR

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# Objectives

- ▣ The learner will be able to identify factors contributing to the nurse educator shortage
- ▣ The learner will list skills specific to the nurse educator role that differ from the clinician role.

# Nurse Educator Shortage

- ▣ What our professional organizations are reporting:
  - Who
  - Why
  - Where

# The unique characteristics of the Clinical Educator

- ▣ Who are they?
- ▣ Where do they come from?
- ▣ Vary in practice experience
- ▣ Vary in familiarity with methods and goals of higher education

# The Adjunct Clinical Instructor

## ▣ Strengths

- Practicing nurse
- Strong clinical example
- Often has familiarity with facility
- Role model
- Provides cultural socialization
- Other?

## ▣ Weaknesses

- Often unfamiliar with educational milieu
- May experience role confusion
- Other?

# A Small Study

- ▣ Goals
- ▣ Method
- ▣ Evaluation tool
- ▣ Findings

# Question / Answer



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