

STATEMENT of PURPOSE

Your goal statement should be typed and no more than 2 pages in length. It should reflect your future goals, your strengths and your weaknesses. It needs to be concise and to the point. Your goal statement will be reviewed as a writing sample, so be sure to write clearly and succinctly as well as checking punctuation and spelling.

Review the AACN white paper on the role of the Clinical Nurse Leader

<http://www.aacn.nche.edu/Publications/WhitePapers/ClinicalNurseLeader07.pdf>

Please address the following:

- What is your current position; how long have you been in it; describe the ways you provide leadership to nurses, patients and the healthcare team with which you work.
- Please discuss your interest in the Clinical Nurse Leader (CNL) Role.
- Please describe your career goals and discuss how a CNL educational preparation (versus any other educational program) will help you achieve these goals.
- If you believe that your academic record or test scores do not accurately reflect your ability to do graduate work, you may wish to attach a statement to this page that describes additional factors that you feel merit consideration. Examples might be: experiences that indicate unusual determination, motivation, or leadership characteristics; adverse conditions (e.g. illness); obligations (e.g. employment); or cultural, linguistic, or economic factors.

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