



STATE OF TENNESSEE

Board of Nursing

2024 Educational Training Programs
Annual Report

02/22/2024

Medication Aide Training Programs

- “Medication Aide Training Program” means a program of study approved by the Board and required for certification as a medication aide.
- “Medication Aide” (MA) means a certified nurse aide who holds a current, valid certificate as a medication aide issued by the Board and who administers medications (pursuant to T.C.A. § 63-7-127) under the general supervision of a licensed nurse.

Medication Aide Training Programs

- 24 currently approved programs
 - 4 approved in 2019 (1 submitted notification of closure in Dec 2023; 1 submitted notification of merger with another program in Jan 2024)
 - 0 approved in 2020 (no testing)
 - 5 approved in 2021
 - 7 approved in 2022
 - 8 approved in 2023

Medication Aide Training Programs

- 2 programs meet the 70% minimum requirement for both knowledge exam and skills exam for 2023
- 5 programs meet the 70% minimum requirement for knowledge exam but fell below minimum requirement for skills exam for 2023
- 1 program did not meet the 70% minimum requirement for knowledge exams or skill exam for 2023
- 2 programs failed to submit the required annual report and pay the required renewal fee
- 16 programs had no testers for 2023 (1 submitted notification in Dec 2023 of program closure)

Medication Aide Training Programs

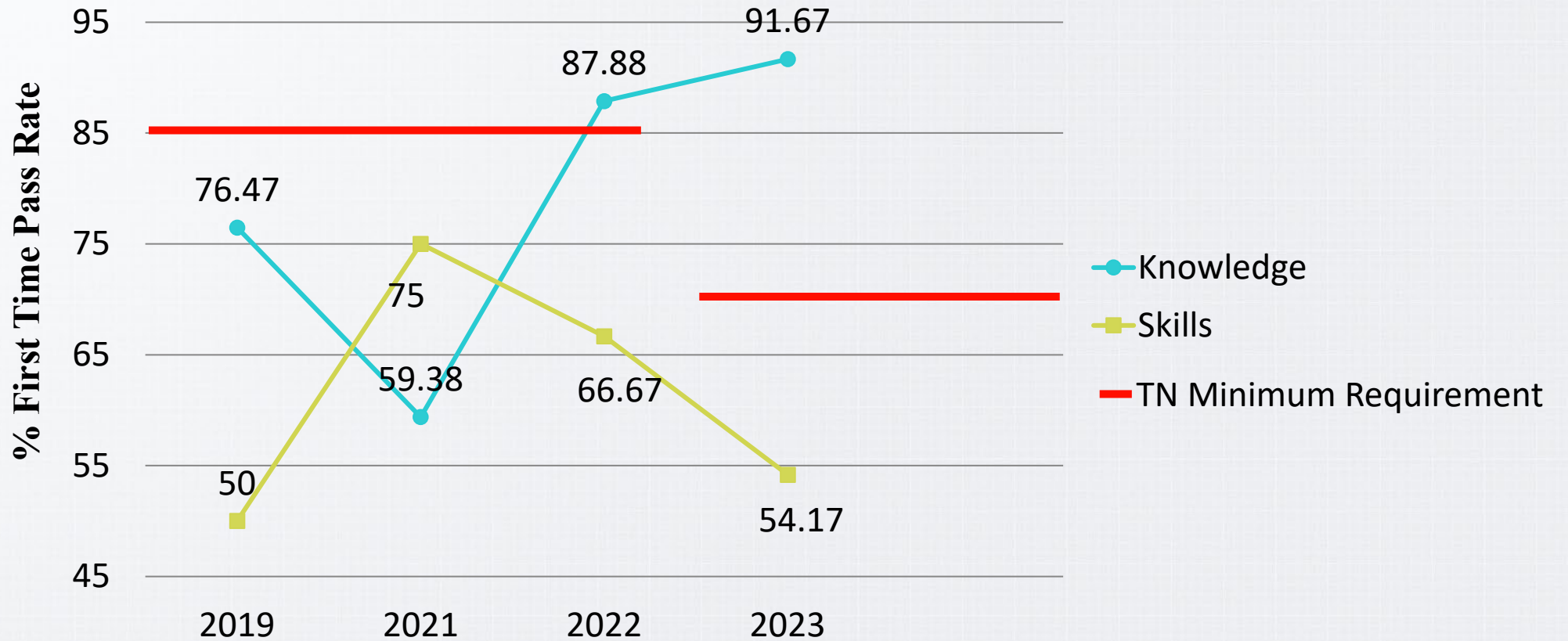
2 programs with 100% pass rate on Knowledge and Skills for 2023

★ Ahava Healthcare (first class)

★ Nashville Health Career Center (second consecutive year)

Medication Aide Knowledge & Skills Exam

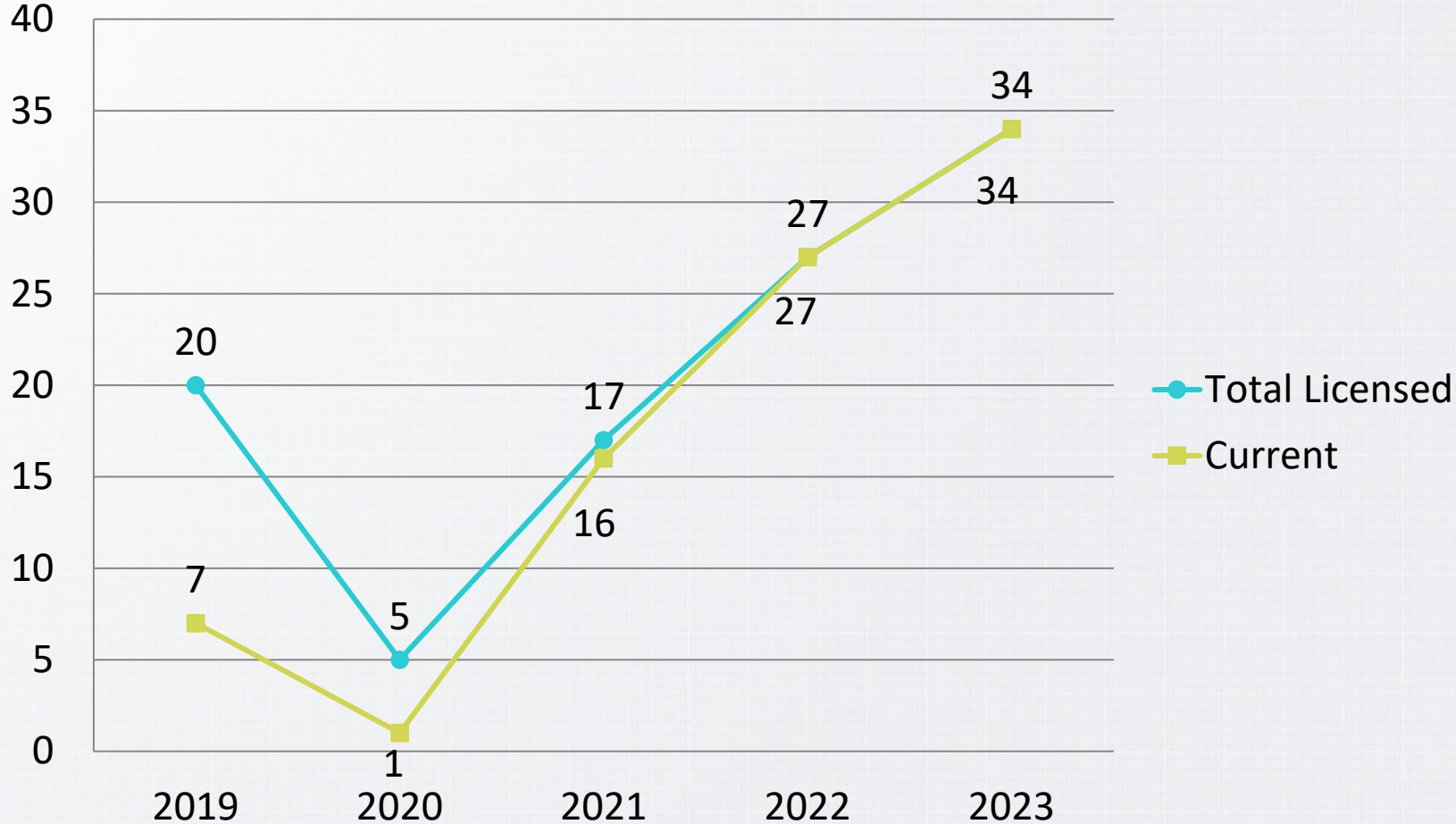
1st Time Pass Rate Average



Medication Aides

- 85 Certified Medication Aides currently
 - 2019 – 20 licensed, 7 active license
 - 2020 – 5 licensed, 1 active license
 - 2021 – 17 licensed, 16 active license
 - 2022 – 27 licensed, 27 active license
 - 2023 – 34 licensed, 34 active license

Licensed and Current



School of Nursing

- School or School of Nursing: Educational unit having the responsibility to prepare its graduates for practice as nurses, qualified to meet licensing requirements in Tennessee.

School of Nursing

- Classification of Nursing Educational Programs:
 - Practical: A program leading to a certificate in practical nursing conducted in hospitals, usually in conjunction with school boards of education.
 - Associate Degree: A program in nursing leading to an associate degree is conducted by an educational unit in nursing (department or division) within the structure of a junior or community college or as a segment of a senior college or university.
 - Baccalaureate: A program leading to a baccalaureate degree is conducted by an educational unit which is an integral part of a senior college or university.

Practical Nursing Programs

- 26 currently approved programs
 - 23 approved prior to 2019 (1 submitted notification of closure in August 2023)
 - 1 approved in 2019 (submitted notification of closure in January 2024)
 - 1 approved in 2022
 - 1 approved in 2023

Practical Nursing Programs

- 26 currently approved programs
 - 19 schools on FULL approval
 - 2 schools with INITIAL approval
 - 3 schools on CONDITIONAL approval (1 submitted notification of closure in August 2023; 1 submitted notification to merge with another program)
 - 2 schools on CONDITIONAL with SUSPENDED ENROLLMENT (1 submitted notification of closure in January 2024; 1 appeared today)

Practical Nursing Programs

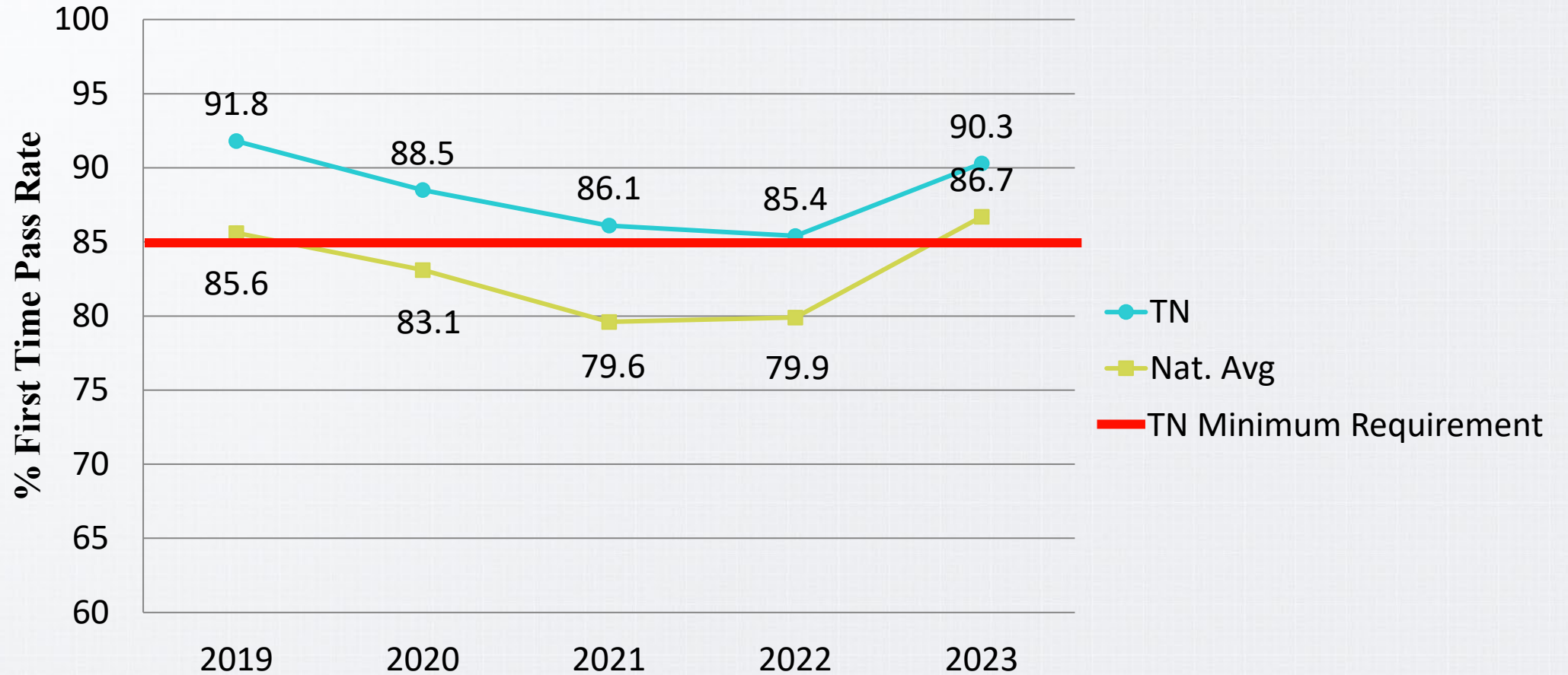
- 18 programs meet the 85% minimum first time pass rate
- 3 programs to receive a letter of concern for failing to meet the 85% minimum first time pass rate
- 3 programs placed on conditional approval for failing to meet the 85% minimum first time pass rate for two consecutive years (1 program submitted notification of closure in Aug 2023)
- 1 program to remain on conditional approval with suspended enrollment for failing to meet the 85% minimum first time pass rate (program submitted notification of closure in January 2024)
 - 5 programs will submit a progress report no later than June 30, 2024
- Tennessee Practical Nursing Programs rank 30th (1204 tests delivered with 1087 passing on the 1st attempt)

Practical Nursing Programs

100% NCLEX PASS RATE for 2023

★ Tennessee College of Applied Technology Crump

NCLEX-PN® 1st Time Pass Rates



Practical Nursing Programs

- No programs have national nursing accreditation
 - 1 program is accredited through Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges
 - 21 programs are accredited through the Council on Occupational Education
 - 1 program is accredited through the Higher Learning Commission

Professional Nursing Programs

- 24 approved schools offering an Associate Degree Program
 - 18 approved prior to 2019
 - 2 approved in 2021
 - 3 approved in 2022
 - 1 approved in 2023

Professional Nursing Programs

- 72 approved schools offering a Bachelor Degree Program
 - 32 offering RN-BSN only
 - 51 approved prior to 2019
 - 2 approved in 2019
 - 3 approved in 2020
 - 6 approved in 2021
 - 3 approved in 2022
 - 7 approved in 2023

Professional Nursing Programs

- 71 approved schools offering a Graduate Degree Program
 - 53 offering Doctoral Degrees
 - 55 approved prior to 2019
 - 4 approved in 2019
 - 3 approved in 2020
 - 5 approved in 2021
 - 4 approved in 2023

Professional Nursing Programs

- 167 currently approved programs (some programs may offer multiple tracks)
 - 69 schools on FULL approval
 - 90 schools with INITIAL approval
 - 7 schools on CONDITIONAL approval
 - 1 schools on CONDITIONAL with SUSPENDED ENROLLMENT (submitted notification of closure in 2023)

Professional Nursing Programs

- 32 RN-BSN programs meet standards
- 69 graduate programs meet standards
- 47 pre-licensure programs meet the 85% minimum first time pass rate
- 1 program to receive a letter of concern for failing to meet the 85% minimum first time pass rate
- 1 program placed on conditional approval for failing to meet the 85% minimum first time pass rate

Professional Nursing Programs

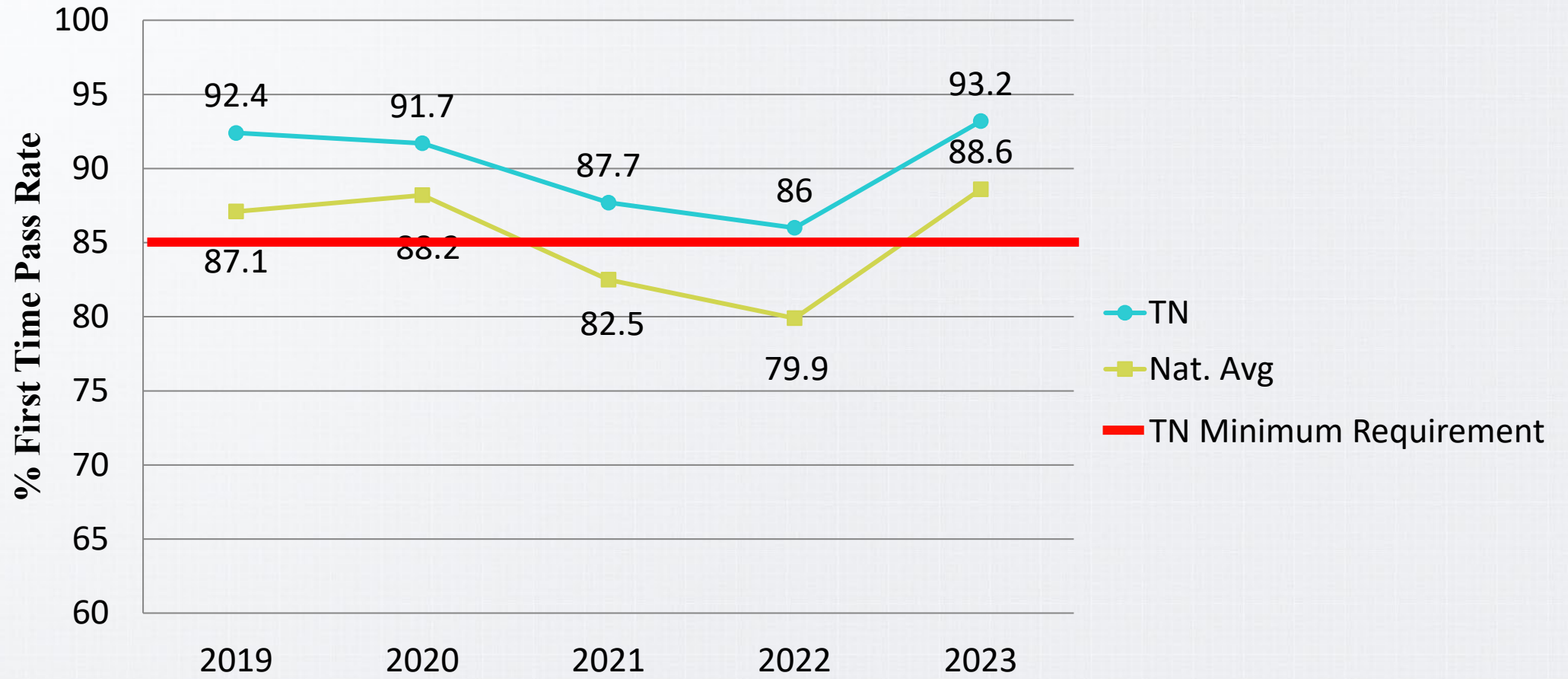
- 2 programs placed on conditional approval with suspended enrollment for failing to meet the 85% minimum first time pass rate
- 1 program remains on conditional approval with suspended enrollment for failing to meet the 85% minimum first time pass rate (program submitted notification of closure in 2023)
 - 4 programs will submit a progress report no later than June 30, 2024
- 14 programs with no graduates for 2023
- Tennessee Professional Programs rank 9th (3923 tests delivered with 3658 passing on the 1st attempt)

Professional Nursing Programs

100% NCLEX PASS RATE for 2023

- ★ Galen College ADN Program (first graduating class)
- ★ Aspen University (first graduating class)
- ★ Bethel University
- ★ Cumberland University
- ★ Lee University
- ★ Milligan College (second consecutive year)
- ★ Tennessee State University (second consecutive year)
- ★ University of TN Southern (second consecutive year)
- ★ Vanderbilt University (Initial Licensure – first graduating class)

NCLEX-RN® 1st Time Pass Rates



Professional Nursing Programs

- 20 of 24 Associate Degree Programs have national nursing accreditation
 - 19 are accredited through Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)
 - 1 is in candidate status through ACEN
- 65 of 72 Bachelor Degree Programs have national nursing accreditation
 - 7 are accredited through Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)
 - 57 are accredited through Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)
 - 1 is in new applicant status through CCNE

Professional Nursing Programs

- 71 of 71 Graduate Degree Programs have national nursing accreditation
 - 6 are accredited through Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)
 - 62 are accredited through Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)
 - 1 is in new applicant status through CCNE
 - 2 are accredited through Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs (COA)



THANK YOU