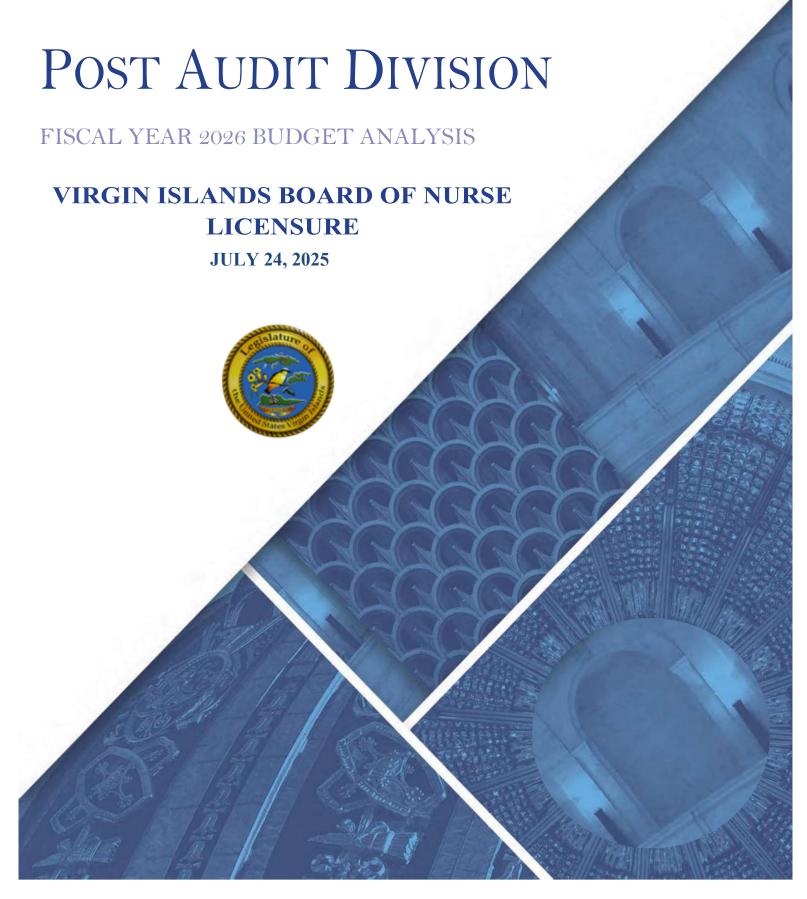
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#### **DEPARTMENT'S OVERVIEW**

On January 12, 1982, Act No. 4666, enacted by the fourteenth Legislature of the Virgin Islands, consolidated the Board of Nurse-Midwives and the Board of Nurse Examiners, to form what is known as the *Virgin Islands Board of Nurse Licensure (VIBNL)*. Additional enabling legislation is provided in Title 3, Chapter 23 § 415 of the Virgin Islands Code (VIC). VIBNL was established to regulate the education, credentialing, and practice of Registered Nurses (RN) and Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN). According to the regulations of the agency Advance Practice Registered Nurses (APRN) are deemed highly qualified and are granted prescriptive authority. Additionally, Certified Nursing Assistants (CNAs) are subject to professional development and disciplinary actions by the Board.

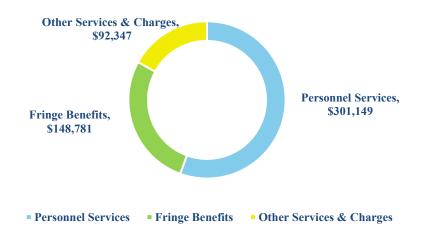
The mission of the Virgin Islands Board of Nurse Licensure is to establish and promote effective policies and standards for nursing education, practice, and professional conduct to ensure public safety.

Nurse Practice Act (NPA): The 1982 Nurse Practice Act has been updated and forwarded for legislative review.

#### **VIBNL AT A GLANCE**

The Virgin Islands Board of Nurse Licensure received an appropriation of \$846,078 for FY 2025. As of June 30th, the Virgin Islands Board of Nurse Licensure received \$705,038 in allotments.

#### **VIBNL's Financial Overview**



As reported by the VIBNL, expenditures through June 30, 2025, are as follows:

Virgin Islands Board of Nurse Licensure	As of June 30, 2025		
Personnel Services	\$	301,149	
Capital Projects		-	
Fringe Benefits		148,781	
Supplies		-	
Other Services & Charges		92,347	
Utilities		-	
Total Expenses	\$	542,277	

Exhibit I

Exhibit II contains an update on the status of key initiatives:

FY 2025 INITIATIVES	UPDATE
	The Board conducted an outreach effort on St. Croix to
2025 St. Croix Food and Agricultural Fair	the nurses and community.
	The 1982 Nurse Practice Act has been revised &
Nurse Practice Act (NPA)	submitted for legislative review.
	Contract was completed by OPCMR (Dept. of Health)
CE Broker Contract	and submitted to Property & Procurement for approval.
	All stakeholders can now electronically log on to the
Fully launched Optimal Regulatory Board System (ORBS)	online portal to access any licensee information and
Online services for all nursing assistants and professional nurses	submit all applications.
	Relocation complete; Began renovations to host
New office relocation expanded with a training room and testing site on St. Thomas	nursing assistant exams.
	Successfully launched on both St. Thomas on May 21,
	2025, and St. Croix on May 29, 2025, to express our
	gratitude and recognition of all
First Annual Nurses Appreciation Brunch	nurses' dedication and hard work in the territory.
	Established a new scholarship 2025-2026 for two
	thousand dollars (\$2,000) per district. \$1,000 each which
	will be awarded to
VIDNI 1A MDD 4 1'	two (2) Juniors and two (2) Seniors enrolled in UVI's
VIBNL and AeroMD Partnership	Nursing Program.
	A grant awarded by the National Council of State Boards
	of Nursing to scan, shred, and upload 3,053 files
Electronic records scanning	(initially 1,500) to the ORBS  Database was completed by MedCred Plus.
Dicetionic records scanning	Consists of two (2) phases:
	Phase 1: Completed, Vendor will be paid directly by
	NCSBN
National Council State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN)	Phase 2: Pending Approval
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Exhibit II

- > A total of one thousand eight hundred sixty-nine (1,869) nurses were licensed through the board.
- > The National Council State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) awarded financial assistance to digitize and upload all current and available nursing records.

#### **FUND FLOW ANALYSIS**

The Board's Fiscal Year 2025 fund flow analysis outlines the VIBNL's budget across five key components: appropriations, allotted amount, obligations, expenditures and balance available; and notes that the obligations reflect commitments made through June 30, 2025.

		Fund		Allotted as of	Obligated as of	Expended as of		
De	pt.	Source	Appropriation	June 30, 2025	June 30, 2025	June 30, 2025	Balance	Remarks
VIE	BNL	General	\$846,078	\$705,038	\$648,930	\$542,277	\$303,801	\$141,040 unallotted

Exhibit III

The Virgin Islands Board of Nurse Licensure received a General Fund appropriation of \$846,078 for Fiscal Year 2025. As of June 30, 2025, the VIBNL received \$705,038 in allotments, representing 83% of its total appropriation.

#### Of the allotted amount:

> \$542,277 (or 77% of the allotted funds and 64% of the total appropriation) has been expended as of June 30, 2025.

#### VIBNL currently has an unspent balance of \$303,801, which includes:

➤ Unallotted funds: \$141,040, or 17% of the total appropriation.

#### FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET SUMMARY

The Governor has recommended a lump sum budget of \$856, 373 for the Virgin Islands Board of Nurse Licensure for FY 2026. Budgeted under the Department of Health, the Governor's recommendation represents an increase of \$10,295 above FY 2025 appropriation of \$846,078. Exhibit IV provides a three-year financial summary comparing General Fund recommendations as presented in the FY 2026 Executive Budget.

Description	FY 2024 Actuals	FY 2025 Revised Budget	FY 2026 Recommended	Variance	% Chg
General Fund:					
Personnel Services	\$ 358,575	\$ 483,287	-	\$ (483,287)	(100%)
Fringe Benefits	185,620	240,174	-	(240,174)	(100%)
Supplies	2,773	-	-	-	-
Other Services & Charges	147,534	122,617	-	(122,617)	(100%)
Utilities	3,731	-	-	-	-
Capital Projects	9,978	-	-	-	-
Lump Sum Payment	-	-	\$ 856,373	856,373	100%
<b>Total General Fund</b>	\$ 708,211	\$ 846,078	\$ 856,373	\$ 10,295	1%

Exhibit IV

However, the Board has submitted a request for \$846,078, which remains in line with its FY 2025 appropriation.

VI Board of Nurse Licensure FY 2026 Requests:	
Personnel Services	\$ 483,287
Fringe Benefits	240,318
Supplies	0
Other Services & Charges	122,473
Utilities	0
Capital Projects	0
VIBNL FY 2026 Requests	\$ 846,078

Exhibit V

#### **PERSONNEL SERVICES**

The Board submitted FY 2026 General Fund projections for Personnel Services in the amount of \$483,287, reflecting a difference of \$2,713 from the Personnel Listing received by the Office of Management & Budget for \$486,000 (see Appendix I.). Exhibit V displays the Board's FY 2026 budget request in comparison to their FY 2025 submission, as presented in Exhibit VI.

VIBNL				Position Classification						
Fiscal Year 2026			Uno	Unclassified Classified				Adjustments		
			Pos							
Fund Name	Pos #	FY 2026 Budg	get #	Total	Pos#	Total		Total		
General Fund – 0100	8.00	\$ 486,0	00 8.00	\$ 486,000	-	_		-		
Grand Total	8.00	\$ 486,0	00 8.00	\$ 486,000	-	-		-		

	Exhibit V							/							
VIBNL				Position Classification											
Fiscal Year 2025				Unclassified Class			Classif	ied	Adjustments						
				Pos											
Fund Name	Pos #		FY 2025 Budget	#		Total	Pos #	Total		Total		Total			Total
General Fund – 0100	8.00	\$	483,287	7.00	\$	449,000	1.00	\$	34,287		-				
Grand Total	8.00	\$	483,287	7.00	\$	449,000	1.00	\$	34,287		-				
								Exi	hibit VI						

According to information presented by OMB, there are no reported vacancies for FY 2026. There's a total of eight (8) unclassified positions, all under the General Fund. For FY 2025, the Administrative Assistant position was the only classified one which became classified in FY 2026.

- > The Executive Director's salary was increased from \$98,000 to \$105,000 in Fiscal Year 2026. *This resulted in a \$7,000 salary raise*.
- > No positions are currently federally funded.

#### **OTHER SERVICES & CHARGES**

*Exhibit VII* presents a comparative analysis of expenditures for both Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025, as well as the projected budget for Fiscal Year 2026 as presented by the Virgin Islands Board of Nurse Licensure.

	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026		%
Description	Expenditures	Revised Budget	Projection	Variance	Change
0100-General Fund					
Professional Services	\$ 17,080	\$ 10,800	\$ 16,150	\$ 5,350	472%
Communication	69,980	2,003	-	(2,003)	(100%)
Travel	525	-	-	-	-
Travel/Cash Advance	840	-	-	-	-
Transportation-Not Travel	4,500	-	-	-	-
Advertising & Promotion	135	-	-	-	-
Printing & Binding	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance	-	-	-	-	-
Repairs & Maintenance	18,992	2,889	-	(2,889)	(100%)
Automotive Repair & Maintenance	34,143	72,180	-	(72,180)	(100%)
Rental of Land/Building	79	-	106,323	106,323	100%
Rental Machines/Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
Security	-	-	-	-	-
Other Services NOC	1,260	-	-	-	-
Credit Card Expenses	-	4,475	-	(4,475)	(100%)
All Other	-	-	-	-	-
Total 0100-General Fund	\$ 147,534	\$ 92,347	\$ 122,473	\$ 30,126	33%

Exhibit VII

#### LEASES / RENTAL

Exhibit VIII lists all properties currently leased by VIBNL.

			Annual	
Lessor	Address	<b>Funding Source</b>	Rent	Terms
	Suite 201 4600 Charlotte Amalie St.			
Grupo Edifica Corporation	Thomas, VI, 00823	General Fund	\$86,595	July 1, 2023-June 30, 2028
	6000 Estate Charlotte Amalie Ft. Myler			
	Commercial Center Second Floor Suite			
Golden Orange Centers, Inc.	6/PO Box 7020 St. Thomas, VI, 00801	General Fund	\$19,728	September 1, 2022-August 31, 2027
			\$ 103,323	

Exhibit VIII

#### PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS

Displayed below are the Virgin Islands Board of Nurse Licensure Professional Service Contracts for Fiscal Year 2026.

Vendor Name	Type Of Service	Period	Funding Source	FY 2026 Amount	Allocation Amount
V CHOOL TAILLE	Type of Service	1 01100	Bource	Zimount	Amount
Prosperity Cleaning Specialist	Janitorial Services, STX	10/1/2024-09/30/2025	General	\$20,760	\$18,360
Real Tech Exterminating, LLC	Exterminating Services, STX	10/1/2024-09/30/2025	Revolving	\$600	\$600
Virgin Islands Cleaning Services Enterprise, LLC	Janitorial Services, STT	10/1/2024-09/30/2025	Revolving	\$21,240	\$21,240
Oliver Exterminating of St. Thomas, Inc.	Exterminating Services, STT	10/1/2024-09/30/2025	Revolving	\$900	\$900
TOTAL: 4				\$43,500	\$41,100

Exhibit IX

#### **VEHICLE LISTING**

VIBNL has a total of five (5) vehicles, two (2) vehicles on St. Croix and three (3) on the islands of St. Thomas and St. John. For Fiscal Year 2026, the Board has expended \$2,373 in gas and \$7,096 for maintenance.

Year	Make	Model	Division	Funding Source	Lease/ Own	Condition	Maintenance Cost FY 2026	Gas Cost	Plate	District
2022	Chevy	Equinox	Compliance Admin. Officer	Local	Own	New	\$825	\$520	BNL-3	STX
2023	Chevy	Equinox	Executive/Operations Director	Local	Own	New	\$981	\$500	BNL-4	STX
2023	Ford	Edge	Executive Director	Local	Own	New	\$1,875	\$667	BNL-1	STT/STJ
2021	Chevy	Equinox	Executive Management Officer	Local	Own	Good	\$1,560	\$94	BNL-2	STT/STJ
2020	Chevy	Equinox	Admin. Specialist	Local	Own	Good	\$1,855	\$592	BNL-6	STT/STJ
TOTAL: 5					\$7,096	\$2,373				

Exhibit X

#### NURSE LICENSURE REVOLVING FUND

Title 27, Chapter 1, §97(j) (2), Virgin Islands Code, established the Nurse Licensure Revolving Fund. Accordingly: "there is established the Board of Nurse Licensure Revolving Fund in which shall be deposited all monies received in the form of licensee fees and any other related fees by the Board of Nurse Licensure. **Exhibit XI** displays a revenue report of the Nurse Licensure Revolving Fund for FY 2026.

Month	Totals
October	\$14,563
November	\$5,453
December	\$9,440
January	\$12,250
February	\$12,521
March	\$6,180
April	\$22,515
May	\$19,360
June	\$18,998
July	\$5,703
YTD Total	\$126,983

Exhibit XI

#### **OUTSTANDING VENDOR PAYMENTS**

The Virgin Islands Board of Nurse Licensure reported that there are no outstanding vendor payments for Fiscal Year 2026.

#### **SUMMARY**

The Governor has recommended a General Fund Lump Sum Appropriation of \$856,373 for the Virgin Islands Board of Nurse Licensure during Fiscal Year 2026.

	FY 2026			
\$856,373	Lump Sum Payment			
\$856,373	Governor's General Fund Recommendation			

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#### APPENDIX I VIBNL'S PERSONNEL LISTING

Position Name	F	Y 2025	FTE	F	Y 2026	FTE
VIBNL						
GENERAL FUND 0100						
UNCLASSIFIED FILLED						
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	\$	98,000	1.00	\$	105,000	1.00
EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT OFFICER		75,000	1.00		75,000	1.00
ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST		43,000	1.00		43,000	1.00
ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST		43,000	1.00		43,000	1.00
OPERATIONS DIRECTOR		80,000	1.00		85,000	1.00
COMPLIANCE ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST		55,000	1.00		55,000	1.00
ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST		-	-		38,000	1.00
ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST		-	-		42,000	1.00
COMPLIANCE ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST		55,000	1.00		-	-
TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED FILLED	\$	449,000	7.00	\$	486,000	8.00
CLASSIFIED						
ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST	\$	34,287	1.00		-	-
TOTAL CLASSIFIED FILLED	\$	34,287	1.00		-	-
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$	483,287	8.00	\$	486,000	8.00



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