Session 5 – Establish Staffing Standard that Ensure Quality Care

From Valerie Morrison: Can you partner with Press Ganey to use the NDNQI for Magnet hospitals in California verses other Magnet hospitals?

Dr. Nancy Blake: You can look at the mean for California hospitals versus the national mean

Dr. Matthew McHugh: Yes, you could do that but it would likely be a pain. NDNQI has gotten hard to work with since [being] taken over by Press Ganey. Plus, we already know the answer about how much better staffing is in California. Refer to the following study: <u>The impact of California's staffing mandate</u> and the economic recession on registered nurse staffing levels: A longitudinal analysis - Nursing Outlook

From John Nyah: I practice in a long-term care facility in Cincinnati Ohio as an international MSN student (though US RN), the staffing ration is 1: 12. Is the Ohio law different or is it just the facility policy ?

Dr. Nancy Blake: I don't believe there are ratios for nursing homes anywhere [in the U.S.], but I am not sure. CMS is trying to look at this and I believe they plan on setting standards.