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An important component of NCSBN's role in supporting the work of nurse regulatory bodies and ensuring public protection is the development of a valid and reliable measure of entry-level nurse competence. A key element of this activity is ensuring the NCLEX is comprehensive and reflects current nursing practice.

judgment, problem-solving, and critical thinking were reported among the top five skills required of entry-level RNs.

Clinical judgment was linked directly to more than 46% of tasks performed by entry-level nurses. While problem-solving and critical thinking were linked to more than 30% of tasks performed by entry-level nurses. These initial findings provided evidence of the importance of clinical judgment, problem-solving, and critical thinking to competent practice of entry-level nurses, and the necessity to measure these skills within the NCLEX.

Based on these findings, the focus of the Next Generation NCLEX Research is developing innovative item types that can validly and reliably measure clinical judgment and decision making in nursing practice. The strategic practice analysis executive summary is available for download. The next topic I'm going to highlight is Item Type Data Collection or ITDC and the preliminary analysis [fca9r\(10 pr\)critlthe -2 \(0\)4 \(0\)](#)