## **Nurses Vote**

## **Federal Party Platform Comparison**



## Health-care Platform Comparison – Federal Election 2025

	Liberal Party	Conservative Party	NDP	Green Party
Fix the nursing shortage	Supports "increasing productivity in the health sector" by making it easier for nurses and health-care professionals to move between jurisdictions (within Canada) and begin practicing immediately. Supports making it easier for Internationally Educated Nurses to practice in Canada.	Supports a "Blue Seal" national testing standard with the goal of making it quicker to license qualified nurses.	Previously called for increases to the Canada Health Transfer so that provinces and territories can address understaffing. Supports streamlining the process to hire more Internationally Educated Nurses, hiring more long-term care nurses and health-care professionals and increasing salaries to improve retention.	Will strengthen public health care and make sure everyone gets the care they need, when they need it.
Fully fund public health care	Will "review" the Canadian Health Transfer to provinces and territories.	Will maintain the federal health transfers to provinces but open to public funds being used for private health care.	Will ensure public health-care funding does not go to for-profit care and supports increasing federal health-care investment.	Will provide stable, long-term funding to provinces and territories and invest in public health care instead of for-profit corporations.
Expand pharmacare	Supports expanding pharmacare to include diabetes and contraceptive medication. Has not committed to further expansion.	Opposed attempts to introduce pharmacare legislation. In the House of Commons, Party Leader Pierre Poilievre said "I will reject the radical plan for a single-payer drug plan".	Supports expanding pharmacare beyond covering diabetes and contraceptives.	Supports national pharmacare that covers prescription drugs beyond diabetes and contraceptives.
Improve the social determinants of health	Support building more \$10-a-day child care spaces, stabilizing the costs of groceries and making housing more affordable by building millions of new homes.	Won't commit to keep social programs like child care and dental care. Will build more houses by firing "gatekeepers" and tying federal funding to local governments on housing starts.	Will remove the GST on essential items, put a price cap on food essentials, stop big corporations from buying up affordable housing, and invest billions to make universal child care a reality.	Will introduce a Guaranteed Livable Income and create a universal early learning and child care program.

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