

4 KEY COMPARISON POINTS FOR SELECTING THE RIGHT PARTNER FOR YOUR PROGRAM



How do you choose a partner for your nursing program? On the surface, ATI and other companies can seem similar. But when you assess them on the criteria that mean the most to your program? Then, you can more easily identify which company offers solutions that will fulfill your needs and which ones lack the resources you require.

ATI takes pride in building and delivering solutions that are the most comprehensive in nursing education. To help you compare other company's products to ours, we've created this check list. We're confident it will show you the depth of quality and excellence our solutions provide — and leave you confident that you chose to partner with us.

THE FUNDAMENTALS

Before comparing different products or solutions, examine whether your partner:

- Offers a single platform for accessing products and resources – one username, one password.
- Provides recorded, virtual, and in-person training and support for their products.
- Provides detailed, prescriptive guidance on solution and curriculum alignment.
- Develops their reporting and predictive analytics from a pool of more than 215,000 nursing students.

IN-DEPTH REVIEW

For a more in-depth comparison, use the check list below to thoroughly review another company's offerings to ATI's solutions to ensure your program's needs are fulfilled.

1) CONSIDER STRENGTH OF ASSESSMENT RESOURCES

Do the other company's offerings include:

- Criterion-referenced assessments aligned to the NCLEX blueprint
Criterion-referenced data provide examinees with the ability to compare their proficiency with a performance criterion (e.g., ATI proficiency levels). The criterion-referenced levels show a student's performance directly compared to an established standard.
- Norm-referenced assessments aligned to the NCLEX blueprint
Norm-referenced data provide examinees and institutions with the ability to compare their score with others taking the exam nationwide (e.g., a mean and percentile rank). Using this data, faculty can assess how their students stack up against other cohorts across the nation.
- NextGen NCLEX items incorporated into assessments in the same proportion as the NCLEX (~20-25% of the exam)
- Interactive/engaging tutorials to foster critical thinking
- Textbook-replacement solutions with course-level content and application exercises to increase students' knowledge acquisition
- High numbers of question bank items — ATI has 9,000+ — for developing formative/adaptive quizzes or customized proctored assessments
- High-quality knowledge and NextGen items developed according to a rigorous 12-step process and aligns to the *NCME Standards for Educational & Psychological Testing*
- Remediation tools customized to each student's area(s) of weakness
- Real-time monitoring of student engagement of learning materials
- Assessment and remediation products that meet WCAG 2.1 accessibility standards
WCAG 2.1 is a standard for web content accessibility for those with visual, auditory, and cognitive disabilities.

2) CONSIDER TOOLS FOR FACULTY DEVELOPMENT

Do the other company's offerings include:

- CNE-qualified content (live and on-demand) taught by nurse educators
- Resources and lesson plans for all learning situations: classroom, sim lab, clinical, and online
- Consultation services with master's and doctoral-level nurse educators

Look for expertise in:

- o Accreditation
 - o Simulation
 - o Program evaluation
 - o Teaching and learning
 - o Curriculum development (live and virtual)
- Cutting-edge integration strategies for your classroom, sim lab, and more (live and on-demand)
- Progressive product training (live and on-demand)
- Products to manage all aspects of your program

Look for tools to manage your:

- o Curriculum
- o Systematic evaluation plans
- o Clinical schedules
- o Evaluations

3) CONSIDER HOW TO ASSESS STUDENTS' NCLEX READINESS

Do the other company's offerings include:

- Intensive student NCLEX-preparation programs (in-person and virtual)
- Predictive algorithms measuring students' NCLEX readiness starting in Semester 1
- Reporting capabilities which:
 - o Easy access reports delivering data at all levels: student, cohort, and program
 - o Tag student results to major outcome categories including QSEN, Clinical Judgment Measurement Model, AACN Essentials, and more.
- Recommended KPIs with continual monitoring of student progress and alerts for at-risk students.

4) CONSIDER HOW TO DEVELOP PRACTICE-READY NURSES

Do the other company's offerings include:

- Products that showcase the bedside nurse experience at three levels:
 - o Patient interaction
 - o Clinical judgment
 - o Documentation
- Computer-based simulations in which students practice essential nursing skills before entering the lab
- Virtual scenarios that encourage critical thinking and clinical judgment that incorporate immediate remediation recommendations
- Simulations that create life-like conversations with clients to foster professionalism and effective communication

