

**CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED CHANGE IN APPROVAL STATUS BASED ON THE 2006 NCLEX-PN® EXAMINATION PASS RATES AND REVIEW OF 2006 ANNUAL REPORT
 COMPUTER CAREER CENTER
 VOCATIONAL NURSING EDUCATION PROGRAM**

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

Consider staff recommendation concerning a proposed change in the approval status for Computer Career Center Vocational Nursing Education Program based on review of the 2006 NCLEX-PN® Examination pass rates and review of the 2006 Annual Report..

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE:

Year	Approval Status	NCLEX-PN® Pass Rate	Number of First-Time Candidates (Passed/Total)
2004	Initial		
2005	Initial	70%	14/20
2006	Initial	95.24%	20/21

- Computer Career Center Vocational Nursing Program was granted Initial Approval by the Board of Nurse Examiners in July, 2004.
- The first class enrolled October, 2004, after program officials provided evidence of meeting requirements imposed by the Board. The first class graduated in September, 2005.
- The NCLEX-PN® Pass Rate of the first time graduates was 70% (14/20).
- The program submitted a self study pursuant to Rule 214.4 Approval.
- The program has willingly met all Requirements and Recommendations imposed as the result of the Self Study and a survey visit conducted in May, 2006.
- The 2006 Annual Pass Rate is 95.24%.
- Review of the 2006 Annual Report indicates program compliance with Education Rule 214.
- The program director has submitted a request for change in program status from Initial to Full in accordance with Rule 214.4 Approval.

PROS AND CONS:

Pros:

- The program has stabilized the faculty turnover and maintained the same program director since 2005.

Cons:

- None noted

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Move to change the Initial Approval status of the Computer Career Center vocational nursing education program to Full Approval in accordance with rule 214. 4 related to Approval and issue the commendations, as indicated in the attached letter (Attachment #1) .

Attachment 1

April 25, 2007

Fernando Martinez, RN
Director, Vocational Nursing Program
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6101 Montana Ave
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Dear Mr. Martinez:

The 2006 Annual Report for Computer Career Center and the 2006 NCLEX-PN® examination pass rate, were reviewed by the members of the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas at their April 19-20, 2007 meeting. Based upon the Annual Report and the 2006 NCLEX-PN® examination pass rate, it was the decision of the Board to move the program's approval status from Initial Approval to Full Approval and issue the following Commendation:

Commendation

The faculty and administration are commended for the graduates' 95.24% pass rate on the NCLEX-RN® for the 2006 examination year

If we may be of assistance to you, please contact board staff at (512) 305-7659 or email at betty.sims@bne.state.tx.us

Sincerely,

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