

**CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL STATUS BASED ON 2006 NCLEX-PN® EXAMINATION
PASS RATES, REVIEW OF 2006 ANNUAL REPORT AND REVIEW OF SELF STUDY
VICTORIA COLLEGE AT VICTORIA
VOCATIONAL NURSING EDUCATION PROGRAM**

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

Consider staff recommendation concerning approval status and requirements to be met for Victoria College at Victoria Vocational Nursing Education Program- Evening based on review of the NCLEX-PN® examination pass rate for 2006, review of the 2006 Annual Report, and review of the abbreviated self study report.

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE:

YEAR	Approval Status	NCLEX-RN® Pass Rate	Number of First-Time Candidates (Passed/Total)
2006	Full	77.42%	24/31
2005	Full	80%	24/30
2004	Full	89%	24/27

- The Vocational Nursing Education Program at Victoria College- Evening in Victoria, Texas has been in operation since 1990.
- Due to the 77.43 % pass rate on the 2006 NCLEX-PN® examination, the program was required to submit a self study report that evaluated factors which contributed to graduates' performance and a description of corrective measures to be implemented.
- The Self Study Report was received in the Board office on December 4, 2007.
- Victoria College Vocational Nursing Education Programs at Cuero, Gonzales, Hallettsville,
- Victoria-Day at Victoria and Victoria-Evening at Victoria have consolidated in January 2007 with one program code for NCLEX-PN examination.

PROS AND CONS:

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- The program conducted an abbreviated self study of faculty, students, testing and evaluation and identified several areas of concern and implemented the following correctives measures:
 - include significant others in the orientation procedure to emphasize importance of support of the student.
 - identify student with personal stress factors on admission to the program and provide referral to student support services immediately.
 - provide tutoring sessions in at least two convenient time slots for students and require all students who are in jeopardy to attend.
 - require the re-entry student with a course grades of a "C" to repeat course.
 - require the student who failed the program only two re-admissions.
 - require summer semester students to make up all clinical absences.
 - implement an assessment and remediation system throughout the program.
 - raise the level of test item difficulty in the last two semesters of the program
 - counsel students regarding predictability of NCLEX-PN success based on achievement test scores
 - NCLEX-PN examination pass rates for the combined programs for third quarter of 2007 is 88.79%.
 - Since the programs are consolidated the graduate performance on the NCLEX-PN is above the required 80%, no further action is necessary.

Con- None noted

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Information only.