

**Consideration for Change in Approval Status from Initial to Full Approval
Chamberlain College of Nursing in Houston, Texas
Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Education Program**

Summary of Request:

Consider a proposed change in the program approval status of the Chamberlain College of Nursing Baccalaureate Degree Nursing (BSN) Education Program in Houston, Texas, based upon review of the 2013 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate, the 2012 Nursing Education Program Information Survey (NEPIS), and compliance with Rule 215.

Historical Perspective:

- The Chamberlain College of Nursing BSN Program was approved at the January 2011 Board meeting and enrolled the first cohort of students in February 2011.
- The program has a one hundred twenty-nine (129) credit hour curriculum, comprised of sixty (60) hours of general education and sixty-nine (69) hours of nursing education, and is designed to be completed in three (3) years.
- A campus visit to Chamberlain College of Nursing was conducted in December 2010 by Virginia D. Ayars, EdD, MS, RN and Janice I. Hooper, PhD, RN.
- The BSN program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. Programs accredited by a national nursing accreditation organization are not subject to regular survey visits by Board Staff.

Rationale for Recommendation:

The program has had a graduating cohort with a 2013 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate of 87.50% (14/16) and is eligible for full approval.

Staff Recommendation:

Move to change the approval status of the Chamberlain College of Nursing Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Education Program in Houston, Texas from Initial to Full Approval (See draft letter in *Attachment #1*).

DRAFT LETTER

January 27, 2014

Mary J. Yoho, PhD, RN, CNE
Campus President
Houston Chamberlain College of Nursing
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Dear Dr. Yoho:

At the January 23-24, 2014 meeting, the members of the Texas Board of Nursing discussed the approval status of the Chamberlain College of Nursing Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Education Program based upon review of the 2013 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate, the 2012 Nursing Education Program Information Survey (NEPIS), and compliance with Rule 215.

Based upon the discussion and review of documents, it was the decision of the Board to change the approval status of the Chamberlain College of Nursing Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Education Program in Houston, Texas, from Initial to Full Approval. Congratulations upon this achievement. The program will be issued a certificate of approval following the April 2014 Board meeting.

If you have any questions or if we may be of assistance, please contact Board Staff at 512-305-7660.

Sincerely,

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President of the Board

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cc: North Central Association of Colleges and Schools
Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education
Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board