

**Consideration of Change in Approval Status
From Initial Approval with Warning to Full Approval
College of Health Care Professions in Houston, Texas
Associate Degree Nursing Education Program**

Summary of Request:

Consider a proposed change in the program approval status for The College of Health Care Professions (CHCP) Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Education Program in Houston, Texas, from Initial approval with Warning to Full Approval based upon review of the 2018 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate for 2018 and compliance with Rule 215.

Historical Perspective:

- CHCP ADN Education Program, designed for Licensed Vocational Nurses to earn an Associate Degree and to be eligible to sit for the NCLEX-RN® examination, was approved by the Board in July 2014.
- CHCP is accredited by the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools.
- Tonye Cox-Miller, DNP, MSN, MBA, RN is currently serving as the Program Director.
- The NCLEX-RN® examination pass rates for CHCP for the past three years are included in the table below:

Examination Year	BON Approval Status	NCLEX-RN® Examination Pass Rate	Number of First Time Candidates (Passed/Total)
2018	Pending change in approval	95.00%	19/20
2017	Initial with Warning	67.74%	21/31
2016	Initial	60.00%	6/10
2015	New Program		

- Due to the 2016 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate of 60.00%, the Program Director and faculty were required to submit a Self-Study Report (SSR) in 2017 that would evaluate factors that may have contributed to the graduates' performance on the NCLEX-RN® examination and a description of the corrective measures to be implemented.
- The previous Program Director asked for and received an extension for the SSR due date but never submitted the report.

- The SSR was submitted at a later date in 2017 by the current Program Director and faculty who developed the plan.
- The Program Director and faculty members identified factors in the SSR that may have contributed to the decline in the pass rate, and designed and implemented corrective measures.
- Measures taken to improve the program performance included:
 - Increasing admission criteria;
 - Establishing a testing policy including policies for test development and analysis
 - Recruiting faculty with teaching experience;
 - Hiring an ADN Clinical Coordinator and seeking additional clinical opportunities; and
 - Implement the Total Program Evaluation Plan on a regular basis.
- Despite the efforts for improvement, the pass rate for 2017 was 67.74%.
- In January 2018, the Board changed the approval status of the ADN program from Initial Approval to Initial Approval with Warning, and issued a requirement for a survey visit.
- The survey visit focused on the program's identified areas for improvement and corrective measures taken by the program.
- The Board formally accepted the report of the survey visit to the CHCP ADN Program at the October 2018 Board meeting.

Staff Rationale for Recommendation:

The program has demonstrated a 2018 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate of 95.00% (19/20) for first time candidates and is in full compliance with Rule 215.

Staff Recommendation:

Move to change the approval status for The College of Health Care Professions Associate Degree Nursing Education Program in Houston, Texas, from Initial Approval with Warning to Full Approval based upon the 2018 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate and compliance with Rule 215, as indicated in the attached letter and Board Order (See Attachment #1).

DRAFT LETTER

January 24, 2019

Tonye Cox-Miller, DNP, MSN, MBA, RN, Program Director
Associate Degree Nursing Education Program
College of Health Care Professions
240 Northwest Mall Blvd.
Houston, Texas 77092

Dear Dr. Cox-Miller:

At the January 24-25, 2019 meeting, the members of the Texas Board of Nursing (Board) discussed the approval status for The College of Health Care Professions Associate Degree Nursing Education Program in Houston, Texas, based upon review of the NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate for 2018 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 for The College of Health Care Professions Associate Degree Nursing Education Program in Houston, Texas, from Initial Approval with Warning to Full Approval as indicated in the attached Board Order. Congratulations upon this achievement.

If you have any questions or if we may be of assistance, please contact Board Staff at beverly.skloss@bon.texas.gov or 512-318-3219.

Sincerely,

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN
Executive Director

copy: Dr. Himesh B. Lakhani, Campus President
Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

ORDER OF THE BOARD

In the Matter of
The College of Health Care Professions
Associate Degree Nursing Education Program
In Houston, Texas

A public meeting of the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, was held on January 24, 2019, 333 Guadalupe, Tower II, Room 225, Austin, Texas, to consider the approval status for the College of Health Care Professions Associate Degree Nursing Education Program in Houston, Texas, pursuant to Section 301.157, Texas Occupations Code and 22 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 215, based upon the NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate for 2018 and compliance with Rule 215.

After review and due consideration of the materials presented by Staff and filed by The College of Health Care Professions in Houston, Texas, and other interested parties, if any, the Board hereby CHANGES the approval status of the College of Health Care Professions Associate Degree Nursing Education Program in Houston, Texas from INITIAL APPROVAL WITH WARNING to FULL APPROVAL.

Entered this 24th day of January, 2019

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN
Executive Director
On Behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing