

**Consideration for Change in Approval Status from Initial to Full Approval
Texas State University San Marcos in Round Rock, Texas
Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Program**

Summary of Request:

Consider the change in approval status for Texas State University - San Marcos Baccalaureate Degree Nursing (BSN) Education Program in Round Rock, Texas, from initial to full approval based upon the 2012 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate, a review of information in the 2012 Nursing Education Program Information Survey, and compliance with Rule 215.

Historical Perspective:

- Texas State University- San Marcos was approved at the July 2009 Board meeting to begin a BSN Program in Round Rock, Texas.
- The program began operation in Fall 2010 following completion of the construction of the new facility with an enrollment of ninety-eight (98) students.
- The program was reviewed by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) in November 2011 and received full accreditation.
- The first cohort graduated in May 2012 and seventy-three (73) graduates took the NCLEX-RN® examination during the 2012 examination year. Seventy-two (72) passed the examination yielding a 98.63% 2012 pass rate.
- The current total enrollment in the BSN program is one hundred eighty-six (186) students.

Rationale for Recommendation:

- The BSN Program at Texas State University - San Marcos in Round Rock, Texas, has graduated its first class and achieved a 98.63% pass rate on the NCLEX-RN® examination for the 2012 examination year.
- The program has been in compliance with Rule 215 as evidenced by information in the NEPIS.
- The program was granted accreditation by CCNE in November 2011.

Staff Recommendation:

Move to change the program approval status of Texas State University - San Marcos Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Program in Round Rock, Texas, from initial to full approval. The program is commended for the 98.63% NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate for the 2012 examination year. (See draft letter in Attachment.)

DRAFT LETTER

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Dear Dr. Erbin-Roesemann:

At the January 17-18, 2013 meeting, members of the Texas Board of Nursing (BON) considered the approval status of the Texas State University – San Marcos Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Education Program in Round Rock, Texas. Based upon the 2012 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate and evidence of compliance with Rule 215, it was the decision of the Texas BON to move the approval status from initial to full approval. The Board also wishes to commend the program for the 2012 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate of 98.63%.

If you have any questions, or if we may be of any assistance, please contact Board staff by email at janice.hooper@bon.texas.gov or by phone at (512) 305-6814.

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