

**Consideration of Change in Approval Status from Conditional to Full Approval
Lamar State College – Orange in Orange, Texas
Upward Mobility Associate Degree Nursing Education Program**

Summary of Request:

Consider a proposed change in the program approval status of the Lamar State College – Orange Upward Mobility Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Education Program in Orange, Texas, from Conditional Approval to Full Approval based upon the review of the 2014 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate, review of the 2013 Nursing Education Program Information Survey (NEPIS), and compliance with Rule 215.

Historical Perspective:

- The Lamar State College – Orange Upward Mobility ADN Program in Orange, Texas began in 1989.
- The NCLEX-RN® examination pass rates for the past six (6) years are provided in the following table:

Exam Year	BON Approval Status	NCLEX-RN® Pass Rate	Number of First Time Candidates (Passed/Total)
2014	Conditional	92.31%	48/52
2013	Full with Warning	77.59%	45/58
2012	Full	69.70%	46/66
2011	Full	77.42%	48/62
2010	Full	86.79%	46/73
2009	Full	93.18%	41/44

- The program was placed on Full with Warning approval at the January 2013 Board meeting and a survey visit was authorized. Board Education Consultant Sandi Emerson, MSN, RN conducted the survey visit on November 9, 2013.
- Resultant to the program being placed on Conditional Approval at the January 2014 Board meeting, the program was prohibited from enrolling new students.

Rationale for Recommendation:

The program has demonstrated a pass rate for first-time candidates of at least 80% on the 2014 NCLEX RN® examination and is currently in full compliance with Rule 215.

Staff Recommendation:

Move to change the approval status of Lamar State College – Orange Upward Mobility Associate Degree Nursing Education Program in Orange, Texas, from Conditional Approval to Full Approval (See Attachment #1.)

DRAFT LETTER

October 27, 2014

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Dear Ms. McGee:

At the October 23-24, 2014 meeting, the members of the Texas Board of Nursing discussed the approval status of the Lamar State College – Orange Upward Mobility Associate Degree Nursing Education Program in Orange, Texas based upon the review of the 2014 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate, review of the 2013 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 Lamar State College – Orange Upward Mobility Associate Degree Nursing Education Program in Orange, Texas from Conditional Approval to Full Approval.

If you have questions or if we may be of assistance, please contact Board Staff at 512-463-4631.

Sincerely,

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