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SUBJECT	Consideration of Provisional Approval
PROGRAM	Pacific College, Costa Mesa, Vocational Nursing Program (Program)
	(Program Director: Myrna Dial, Costa Mesa, Orange County, Private)

Please note: Board Nursing Education Consultants make recommendations. The recommendations are forwarded to the Education and Practice Committee for review and recommendation or to the Executive Officer or full Board for action.

BACKGROUND:

On November 12, 2024, the Board rescinded the Program's pattern of admission due to the following concerns:

- 1. The Program taught theory classes online without BVNPT approval.
- 2. The Program combined their online theory classes with the Pacific College, Lakewood Campus (previously known as Cerritos), Vocational Nursing Program.
- 3. Two of the faculty teaching the online theory classes with Pacific College, Lakewood, did not have approval to teach at that Program.
- 4. The students reported that an additional faculty member, who did not have BVNPT approval, taught a clinical skills class, which was verified by Program Director.
- 5. The enrollment data sheet submitted showed more cohorts than available classroom space.
- 6. The skills lab at the unapproved Ontario campus showed a lack of supplies, unstocked and disorganized cabinets, broken manikins, dirty linen, and photos of equipment on the wall rather than real equipment.

Additionally, the Board required the Program to close the unapproved satellite campus in Ontario and apply for Pacific College, Ontario, to become an affiliate campus by December 1, 2024.

On February 13, 2025, a new Program Director was approved.

On March 18, 2025, the Executive Officer approved a class of 25 students to start on March 24, 2025. The class did not start due the students being assigned to the Pacific College, Ontario, campus that was not open by the Program and the class requirement

to start at Pacific College. Costa Mesa, on the ground. The administration decided to wait to start the class at a later time.

On April 10 and 11, 2025, two NECs conducted an unannounced program visit to Pacific College, Costa Mesa and Costa Mesa, Ontario. It was identified that the Program was continuing to provide the vocational nursing program to four classes of students at the Ontario site. During the visit the Program Director was informed that the students had to be transferred to the Costa Mesa campus and the Board had required the Ontario campus to be closed by December 1, 2024. Since the students were commuting to class from long distances to the Costa Mesa campus, it was approved that the four classes could be taught online from the Costa Mesa campus, with skills lab provided at the Costa Mesa Campus, and clinical at the facilities closer to the students in the Inland Empire. The Program identified a class of students who are in the process of completing their pre-requisite courses at a classroom in Monrovia who are scheduled to start at the Pacific College, Ontario campus. It was decided that this class of students could start at the Costa Mesa campus on ground only.

On May 5, 2025, it was determined that the distance and heavy traffic to the Costa Mesa campus was difficult for the students from Monrovia to arrive at class in Costa Mesa campus by six PM, as they finished work at five PM. It was decided that the Pacific College, Lakewood campus, was closer and that campus would put in a request to start a class of students to accommodate these students. The Lakewood campus decided on May 30, 2025, to not to request a class after all.

On June 30, 2025, a complaint was received from a student. The student alleged:

- Students are not treated equally regarding attendance. One student gets to
 take frequent vacations and only has to write a paper to make up their
 attendance in theory or clinical where other students have to make up
 absences minute for minute. One student was late 15 minutes for a clinical
 pediatric experience that is over an hour away from their Program and was sent
 home and the student who has taken several vacations came in 20 minutes
 later and was allowed to stay.
- The group had a substitute clinical instructor, and she changed the student
 assignments to follow the staff after their assignment. Several staff members
 did not want to be responsible for the students and became upset. It became a
 power struggle between the staff and the instructor regarding who the students
 would be following that day.
- Students are passing medications without the instructor. The instructor will be
 with the student when they prepare the medications but not always when they
 administer the medications to the patient. The students have been told that it is
 too hard to follow 10 students passing medications.

- Due to lack of clinical instructor the students were sent home from the Pediatric clinical and sent to a skilled nursing facility (SNF). After the students completed the clinical hours at the SNF they were told that the hours at the SNF do not count, and that the students now have to make up Pediatric hours.
- Students have tried to take their issues to Myrna Dial the Program Director, but she will not respond back to the students. She is not on campus and the only method of contact with her is via email.

The Program Director was provided the student complaints and was required to respond to the complaint by July 3, 2025.

On July 2, 2025, during a TEAMS meeting with the Program Director and the NEC, the student complaints were addressed. The Program Director admitted that she works from her office at her Ontario campus where there are no students. She stated she is only available to the Costa Mesa students via email; however, she stated that she has received only one email from the students and that was prior to her becoming the Program Director, so she did not answer the email. Additionally, the Program Director was not willing to the make the Costa Mesa campus her main office. There are no students at the Ontario campus and has yet to be approved as a campus. She stated she may go to the Costa Mesa Campus occasionally in the future but would not commit to any firm dates.

On July 3, 2025, a notice of violation regarding the Program Director not administering the program was sent to the Program Director.

STAFF ANALYSIS:

The NEC reviewed and analyzed the documents provided by the Program Director to verify adequate resources including clinical facilities and classrooms to accommodate the students' learning needs and ability to meet the Program's approved objectives.

On July 3, 2025, it was identified that the Program's NCLEX-PN® average annual pass rate while still compliant with the California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(I), has fallen over the last four quarters from 93 percent to 77 percent.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. Place the Pacific College Costa Mesa Vocational Nursing Program on provisional approval for a two-year period beginning August 15, 2025.
- 2. Require the Program to comply with all requirements listed below

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Require the Program to submit comprehensive analysis reports in: (1) seven months, with a submission date no later than March 1, 2026, (2) in twelve months, no later than August 1, 2026, and (3) eighteen months, no later than February 1, 2027. The reports must include a comprehensive analysis of the Program, timeline for implementation, and the effect of employed interventions. The following elements must be addressed in the analysis.
 - a. Terminal Objectives
 - b. Evaluation of Current Curriculum including:
 - 1- Instructional Plan
 - 2- Daily Lesson Plans for each Term
 - c. Student Policies including:
 - 1- Admission Criteria
 - 2- Screening and Selection Criteria
 - 3- Attendance Policy
 - 4- Remediation Policy
 - 5- Evaluation Methodology for Student Progress including evaluation of clinical practice
 - 6- Credit Granting Policy
 - d. Evaluations of approved clinical facilities which determine adequacy in number and variety of patients to accommodate current and projected student enrollment.
 - e. Faculty Meeting Methodology
 - f. Documentation of resources, including faculty and facilities, for all terms for all current cohorts.
- 2. Admit no additional classes without prior approval by the Board.
- 3. Require the Program, when requesting approval to admit students, to:
 - a. Submit all documentation in final form, using the forms provided by the BVNPT, no later than by the fifteenth day of the second month preceding the month of the Board meeting.
 - b. Provide documentation that adequate resources, i.e., faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students.
 - c. Ensure that the Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with the California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(I).
- 4. Require the Program to provide a maximum of ten students for each instructor. The California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2534(d) states: "for supervision of clinical experience, there shall be a maximum of 15 students for each instructor." Recommendation of one instructor for a maximum of ten students in clinical experiences will enable more focused instruction and enhanced learning to closely monitor and evaluate the clinical performance of students.

- 5. Notify the NEC in the event a current class is displaced from clinical sites.
- 6. Continue the Program's requirement to comply with all of the approval standards in Article 4 of the Vocational Nursing Practice Act, commencing with California Business and Professions Code, Section 2880, and in Article 5 of the California Code of Regulations, Title 16, commencing with Section 2525.
- 7. Require the Program to demonstrate incremental progress in NCLEX-PN® licensure examination pass rates, attendance policy and actively administering the program. If the Program fails to satisfactorily demonstrate incremental progress, the full Board may revoke the Program's approval.
- 8. Failure to take any of these corrective actions may cause the Board to revoke the Program's approval, as specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2526.1(e).
- Any material changes in circumstances affecting any information contained in the documents submitted by the Program to the Board, require the Program to notify the NEC immediately, in writing, per California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2526(g).

RELEVANT PROGRAM ELEMENTS

Enrollment

California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(k) states:

The program shall have prior Board approval to increase the number of students per class and/or increase the frequency of admission of classes. Criteria to evaluate a school's request to increase the number of students per class and/or increase the frequency of class admissions include but are not limited to: (1) Sufficient program resources as specified in Section 2530(a). (2) Adequacy of clinical experience as specified in Section 2534. (3) Licensure examination pass rates as specified in Section 2530(I).

The Program is approved to offer a 74-week part-time evening class. BVNPT approval is required prior to the admission of each class.

The following table represents current student enrollment based on current class starts and completion dates. The table indicates a maximum enrollment of 60 students for the period October 2023 through October 2024.

ENROLLMENT DATA TABLE

Class Start Dates	Class Completion Dates	Number of Students Admitted	Number of Students Current	Number of Graduated	Total Enrolled
10/30/23 *(8/23/25)		33	15		15
12/27/23 *(10/5/25)		16	14		15+14=29
3/4/24 *(11/16/25)		13	4		29+4= 33
6/24/24 *(4/12/26)		12	9		33+9 = 42
10/29/24 *(7/26/26)		15	18		42 + 18 = 60

^{*}Indicates projected graduation date

Licensing Examination Statistics

California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(I) states:

The program shall maintain a yearly average minimum pass rate on the licensure examination that does not fall below 10 percentage points of the state average pass rate for first time candidates of approved vocational nursing schools for the same period.

The following statistics, furnished by Pearson Vue and published by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing as "Jurisdictional Summary of All First-Time Candidates Educated in Member Board Jurisdiction," for the period July 2023 through June 2024, specify the pass percentage rate for graduates of the Program on the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical/Vocational Nurses (NCLEX-PN®) and the variance from the state average annual pass rates.

NCLEX-PN® LICENSURE EXAMINATION DATA

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Quarter	# Candidates in Quarter	# Passed in Quarter	in	State Quarterly Pass Rate	Program Average Annual Pass Rate	State Average Annual Pass Rate CCR §2530(I)	Variance from State Average Annual Pass Rate
Jan - Mar 2023	38	28	74%	73%	71%	72%	-1
Apr - Jun 2023	8	6	75%	85%	76%	75%	+1
Jul - Sep 2023	8	6	75%	86%	78%	78%	0
Oct - Dec 2023	16	13	81%	84%	76%	81%	-5
Jan- Mar 2024	18	18	100%	87%	86%	86%	0
Apr - Jun 2024	11	10	91%	85%	89%	85%	+4
Jul - Sep 2024	26	25	96%	83%	93%	85%	+8
Oct – Dec 2024	21	15	71%	81%	89%	84%	+5
Jan – Mar 2025	11	7	83%	82%	83%	83%	0
Apr – Jun 2025	15	9	60%	81%	77%	82%	-5

*The Annual Pass Rate changes every quarter. It is calculated by dividing the number of candidates who passed during the current and previous three quarters by the number of candidates who tested during the same period. If no data is available for the relevant period, the statistic is carried over from the last quarter for which data is available.

Based on the most current data available (April – June 2025), the Program's average annual pass rate is 77% percent. The California average annual pass rate for graduates from approved vocational nursing programs who took the NCLEX-PN® for the first time during the same period is 82% percent. The average annual pass rate for the Program is five percentage points below the state average annual pass rate.

Faculty and Facilities

California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2534(d) states:

For supervision of clinical experience, there shall be a maximum of 15 students for each instructor.

The current number of approved faculty totals 40, including the Program Director. The Program Director has 100 percent administrative duties. Of the total faculty, 38 are designated to teach clinical. The Program will be required to provide a maximum of ten students for each instructor. Based upon a maximum proposed enrollment of 60 students, six instructors are required for clinical supervision. The utilization of faculty at clinical facilities is such that clinical instruction is covered adequately.

California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2534(b) states:

Schools shall have clinical facilities adequate as to number, type, and variety of patients treated, to provide clinical experience for all students in the areas specified by Section 2533. There must be available for student assignment, an adequate daily census of patients to afford a variety of clinical experiences consistent with competency-based objectives and theory being taught. Clinical objectives which students are expected to master shall be posted on patient care units utilized for clinical experience.

Submitted documentation indicates the Program has sufficient clinical facilities to afford the number, type and variety of patients that will provide clinical experience consistent with Board-approved competency-based objectives and theory being taught for current student enrollment

Violations

California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2526(i)(1) requires six months before the date of approval expiration, an institution, as a condition for the continued approval of a postsecondary school or educational program offering a course of instruction in vocational nursing, to submit a completed "Continuing Approval Application for a Vocational Nursing School or Program," Form 55M-15 (Revised 02/2024).

Violation, #1

Form 55M-15 at Section 16 on page 5: Verification of Faculty Qualifications: Attach a list of the program's faculty. Complete a Verification of Faculty Qualifications Form: (Form 55M-10 New 04/2022) for new faculty prior to employment. (See 16 CCR 2529.)

California Code of Regulations, Title 16 section 2529(b) requires:

Each vocational nursing program shall have one faculty member, designated as director who meets the requirements of subsection (c)(1) herein, who shall actively administer the program. The Director is responsible for compliance with all regulations in Chapter 1, Article 5 (commencing with Section 2525 et seq.).

Violation:

On July 2, 2024, a discussion was held between the approved Program Director and the NEC during a TEAMS meeting. A recent student complaint regarding students who have tried to take their issues to the Program Director, but she is not responding back to the students, and she is not on campus and the only method of contact with her is via email was the topic. During the conversation the Program Director stated that the only communication between herself and students are emails. She stated that she has only time she has received an email from one student from the Program prior to her becoming the Program Director, so she did not respond.

Additionally, the Program Director stated that she does not go to the campus regularly, she works out of the Ontario campus and may occasionally go to the Costa Mesa Campus. Students do not have regular access to the Program Director.

The Program Director has been actively working on requirements to open the Proposed Pacific College Ontario Campus and not addressed the student needs at the Pacific College Costa Mesa Campus as evidenced by the student complaints.

Status: The violation **is not** corrected.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A: Program History

Agenda Item 6.D.I

Attachment A

PACIFIC COLLEGE, COSTA MESA, VOCATIONAL NURSING PROGRAM

Program History

- On June 26, 1998, the Board approved Pacific College's request to commence a
 vocational nursing program consisting of 578 theory hours and 964 clinical
 hours, with an initial class of 30 students on July 20, 1998, contingent upon the
 approval of adequate faculty and facilities by July 1, 1998. Due to problems
 with federal funding for students, the start date was delayed. The Program
 commenced January 11, 1999.
- On September 17, 1999, the Board accredited the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program, effective for the initial class commencing January 11, 1999, and approved admission of 30 students on December 22, 1999. (Note: Prerequisites for prospective students in the December class commenced on September 27, 1999, beginning with the Certified Nursing Assistant class.)
- On February 4, 2000, the Board approved the admission of 30 students on February 14, 2000. This class started prerequisite courses on February 28, 2000, and the vocational nursing program on May 8, 2000.
- On June 16, 2000, the Board approved the admission of 15 full-time students on August 28, 2000 (the class actually started on September 25, 2000), and 30 full-time students on December 11, 2000, only, contingent upon Board approval of an adequate number of clinical instructors and commencement of a part-time class of 15 students on September 19, 2000, only.

The Board requested that a follow-up report on student licensure examination performance be presented at the September 29, 2000, Board meeting. The report was to include an analysis of the causes of poor student performance on the licensure examination and identify goals, solutions, and timelines to improve examination pass rates. The Program Director was also asked to address reasons students delay taking the licensure examination following graduation. The deadline for the written report was July 25.

• On September 29, 2000, the Board accepted the follow-up report on student licensure examination performance. A follow-up report that included an analysis by the Program Director of student performance on the licensure examination, based on the Program Director's plan of correction was presented at the February 2001

Board meeting. The Board approved the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program's request to admit 15 full-time students and 15 part-time students on December 11, 2000.

- On February 2, 2001, the Board accepted the follow-up report on student licensure examination performance. The Board requested a follow-up report be presented at the September 7, 2001, Board meeting to include an analysis by the Program Director of student performance on the licensure examination based on her plan to improve pass rates. The report included, but was not limited to, the number of students who were taking the NCLEX-PN® review class offered by the Program and the results of the student evaluations of the Program and preparedness to take the exam.
- The Board denied the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program's request to admit 30 full-time students on April 9, 2001. The Board approved admission of 15 students to the full-time Program on April 9, 2001, only.
- On April 27, 2001, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in both the full-time and part-time Programs to commence June 4, 2001, only.
- On June 29, 2001, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in both the full-time and part-time Programs to commence August 6, 2001, only.
- On September 7, 2001, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full-time Program on October 8, 2001, only, to replace students who graduate on September 18, 2001, and the Board also approved the admission of 15 students in the part-time Program on October 9, 2001, only, to replace students who graduate on September 30, 2001.
- On November 16, 2001, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full-time Program on January 28, 2002, only, to replace students who graduated on January 20, 2002, and the Board also approved the admission of 15 students in the part-time Program on January 28, 2002, only to replace students who graduated on January 8, 2002.
- On February 28, 2002, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full-time Program and 15 students in the part time Program on March 3, 2002, only.
- On April 12, 2002, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full-time and part-time Programs on May 20, 2002, only.
- On June 28, 2002, the Board approved continued full accreditation for the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program for a four-year period from April 12, 2002, to April 12, 2006, and issued a certificate, accordingly, and the Board

approved the admission of 15 students in the full-time Program starting July 29, 2002, only, to replace the class graduating July 17, 2002, and 15 students in the part-time Program starting July 30, 2002, only.

- On September 6, 2002, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full- time Program starting September 23, 2002, only, to replace the class graduating September 30, 2002, 15 students in the part-time track 1-A Program starting September 23, 2002, only, to replace the class graduating September 15, 2002, and 15 students in the part-time track 11-B Program starting September 24, 2002, only, to replace the class graduating September 19, 2002.
- On November 8, 2002, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full and part-time Programs starting November 18, 2002, only.
- On February 21, 2003, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full-time class starting February 24, 2003, only, to replace the class that graduated January 1, 2003 and the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the part-time tract 1-C class starting February 25, 2003, only, to replace the class that graduated January 26, 2003 and the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full-time class starting March 10, 2003, only, to replace the class that will complete February 12, 2003 and the Board approved the admission of 15 students in an additional part-time track 1-1 class on March 10, 2003, only.
- On April 11, 2003, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full-time class starting May 19, 2003, only, to replace the class graduating April 25, 2003 and the Board approved the admission of 15 students in track 1-D class starting May 19, 2003, only, to replace the class that graduated May 11, 2003.
- On June 19, 2003, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full-time class starting July 21, 2003, only, to replace the class which graduated on July 11, 2003, and the Board approved the admission of 15 students in track 1-B on July 21, 2003, only, to replace the class that graduated June 8, 2003.
- On September 19, 2003, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full- time class starting September 22, 2003, only, to replace the class that graduated September 5, 2003; and the Board approved the Program's request to admit a part-time class of 15 students in track 1-E on September 23, 2003, only, to replace the class that graduated September 7, 2003.

- On October 14, 2003, the Board sent a letter to the Program indicating that its average annual licensure examination pass rates for the past four consecutive quarters were more than 10 percentage points below the state average annual pass rate. Thus, the Program is not in compliance with California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(I). Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program was asked to submit a written plan for improving the Program's NCLEX-PN® pass rates. The plan is to be submitted by November 14, 2003.
- On November 19, 2003, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full- time Program starting November 24, 2003, only, to replace the class that graduated October 24, 2003 and the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the part-time track 1-F Program starting November 25, 2003, only, to replace the class that graduated November 14, 2003 and the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full-time Program starting January 19, 2004, only, to replace the class that graduated December 19, 2003 and the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the part-time track 1-G Program starting January 19, 2004, only, to replace the class graduating January 11, 2004 and the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the part-time track 11-J Program starting January 20, 2004, only, to replace the class which graduated January 11, 2004.
- On January 12, 2004, a change in Program Directors took place and the new Program Director and administrator attended the *New Director Orientation* on January 21, 2004.
- On February 20, 2004, the Board approved the admission of 15 students into the full- time Program starting on March 22, 2004, only, to replace students that graduated on February 20, 2004 and approved the admission of 15 students into the part-time track 1-A Program starting March 22, 2004, only, to replace the students graduated on March 14, 2004 and approved the admission of 15 students into the full-time Program starting on May 17, 2004, only, to replace the students that graduated on April 30, 2004 and approved the admission of 15 students into the part-time track 1-H Program starting May 18, 2004, only, to replace the students that graduated on May 9, 2004.
- On May 14, 2004, the Board approved the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program's request to admit 15 students in the part-time track 1-C Program starting July 6, 2004, to replace the class that graduates June 27, 2004 and approved the school's request to admit 15 students in the full-time Program starting August 2, 2004, to replace the class that graduates July 9, 2004 and approved the school's request to admit 15 students in the part-time track 1-1 Program starting September 13, 2004, to replace the class graduating September 5, 2004 and approved a pattern of admissions to replace graduating classes, only, for the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program with the stipulation that no additional classes are to be added to the Program's current pattern of admission without prior Board

- approval. The Program's current pattern of admission includes 6 full-time classes and 6 part-time classes, each, admitting 15 students to each class.
- On February 3, 2006, the Board approved the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program's request to increase class size from 15 to 30 students per class starting February 21, 2006.
- On April 18, 2007, a new Program Director was approved.
- On May 12, 2006, the Board approved continued full accreditation for the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program for a four-year period from May 12, 2006, to May 11, 2010, and issued a certificate accordingly.
- On October 20, 2009, the Executive Officer approved the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program's request to change the pattern of admission for its full-time Program to four classes of 30 students per year, effective January 2010 and approved the Program's request to change the pattern of admission for its part-time Program to twelve classes of 30 students per year, effective October 20, 2009.
- On September 1, 2010, the Program submitted the Program Records Survey and related documents.
- On October 14, 2010, the Board approved continued full accreditation for the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program for the period May 12, 2010, through May 11, 2014, and issued a certificate accordingly and continued the Program's approval for a pattern of admission, which to replace graduating students, only, with the following stipulations:
- No additional classes are added to the Program's approved pattern of admission without prior Board approval. The Program's approved pattern of admission includes four full -time classes of 30 students and twelve part- time classes of 30 students per year.
- The Program Director documents that adequate resources, i.e., faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students.
- On July 18, 2014, the Executive Officer continued full approval for the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program for the period May 11, 2014, through May 10, 2018, and issued a certificate accordingly. Additionally, approval of the Program's pattern of admission, to replace graduating students, only, with the following stipulations was continued:
 - a. No additional classes are added to the Program's approved pattern of admissions without prior Board approval. The Program's approved pattern of admission includes four full-time classes of 30 students and twelve (part-time classes of 30 students only.

- b. Prior to admission, the Program Director submits documentation per email or letter that adequate resources, including faculty, clinical facilities, and other resources as specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(a) are available to support each admitted class of students.
- c. The Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(I).
- On December 9, 2015, the AEO, SNEC, and assigned NEC met with Brian Chilstrom, Vice President of Instruction, to discuss proposed Program modifications.
- On December 15, 2015, the Board received documentation from BPPE certifying Program approval.
- On December 18, 2015, the Acting Executive Officer rendered the following decisions:
- a. Required Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program to have a Program Director who meets requirements specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2529(c) by January 15, 2016.
- b. Denied the Program's request to increase the number and frequency of student admissions per full-time class from four classes of 30 students to twelve classes of 60 students
- c. Approved the Program's admission of twelve full-time classes of 45 students annually effective February 1, 2016, contingent upon submission of the following, prior to admission:
 - 1) Approval of adequate faculty for the proposed enrollment who meet requirements specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2529.
 - 2) Documentation verifying sufficient resources, staff, physical space, equipment, and materials as specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(a).
 - 3) Approval of clinical facilities sufficient to afford the number type and variety of patients that will provide clinical experiences consistent with competencybased objectives and theory, for the proposed student enrollment, as specified in California Code of Regulations, Title, Section 2534(b).
 - 4) The Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(I).
 - d. Denied the Program's request to increase the number and frequency of student admissions per part-time class from 12 classes of 30 students to 18 classes of 60 students.
 - e. Approved the Program's admission of 18 part-time classes of 45 students annually contingent upon submission of the following, prior to admission:
 - 1) Approval of adequate faculty for the proposed enrollment who meet requirements specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2529.

- Documentation verifying sufficient resources, staff, physical space, equipment and materials as specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(a).
- 3) Approval of clinical facilities sufficient to afford the number type and variety of patients that will provide clinical experiences consistent with competency-based objectives and theory, for the proposed student enrollment, as specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2534(b).
- 4) The Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(I).
- f. Approved the Program's admission of one full-time class of 45 students to be held at the Chino Hills School District, effective April 1, 2016, contingent upon the Program Director's submission of the following, prior to admission:
 - 1) Approval of adequate faculty for the proposed enrollment who meet requirements specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2529.
 - 2) Documentation verifying sufficient resources, staff, physical space, equipment, and materials as specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(a).
 - 3) Approval of clinical facilities sufficient to afford the number type and variety of patients that will provide clinical experiences consistent with competencybased objectives and theory, for the proposed student enrollment, as specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2534(b).
 - 4) Submission of documentation verifying BPPE approval.

Rationale:

The Program is currently compliant with all sections of Article 5 of the California Code of Regulations, Title 16. However, at this time the Program does not have adequate faculty and facilities to offer the proposed classes. The Program has retained RN Faculty Recruiters that will ensure adequate Nurse Instructor levels and will hire a Registered Nurse who has extensive experience in successfully expanding existing and new student capacity at clinical training sites. The Program agrees to provide the Board with applications for faculty and facilities adequate for the proposed enrollment prior to admitting a class.

The Program is in the process of obtaining BPPE approval for the part time and full-time classes at Chino Valley Unified and is aware that BPPE approval is required prior to admitting students at any additional sites.

Board records furnished by Pearson VUE and published by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing, substantiate that the Program has remained compliant with California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(I) with 85.71 percent of the previous 14 consecutive quarters. Based on the most current data available (July - Sept 2015), the Program's average annual pass rate is 82 percent, ten percentage points above the state average annual pass rate.

Board staff will continue to monitor the Program's effectiveness by tracking class admissions, the effectiveness of employed interventions, and the Program's licensure examination pass rates each quarter.

- On May 31, 2016, a new Program Director was approved.
- On December 14, 2016, a new Program Director was approved.
- On January 27, 2017, the Executive Officer approved the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program's request to admit a part-time class of 45 students to the Pacific College, Citadel Campus, commencing on January 30, 2017, graduating on December 23, 2018, to replace the class that graduated on September, 24, 2016, and continued to require the Program to admit no additional classes without prior approval by the Board, and required the Program, when requesting approval to admit students, to: (a) submit all documentation in final form, and using the forms provided by the Board, no later than two months prior to the requested start date for the class, (b) provide documentation that adequate resources, i.e. faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students, (c) the Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(I) and continued to require the Program to comply with all approval standards in Article 4 of the Vocational Nursing Practice Act commencing at Business and Professions Code Section 2880, and Article 5 of the Board's Regulations, commencing at California Code of Regulations, Title 16, commencing with Section 2525.
- On March 24, 2017, the Executive Officer approved the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program's request to admit a part-time class of 45 students to the Pacific College, Costa Mesa Campus, commencing on April 24, 2017, graduating on March 9, 2019, to replace the class that graduated on February 18, 2017 and approved a part-time class of 45 students to the Pacific College, Ontario Campus, commencing on May 16, 2017, graduating on April 14, 2019, to replace the class that graduated on September 25, 2016 and (a) continued to require the Program to admit no additional classes without prior approval by the Board and continued to require the Program, when requesting approval to admit students, to: (a) submit all documentation in final form, and using the forms provided by the Board, no later than two months prior to the requested start date for the class, (b) provide documentation that adequate resources, i.e. faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students, (c) the Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(I) and, continue to require the Program to comply with all approval standards in Article 4 of the Vocational Nursing Practice Act, commencing at Business and Professions Code Section 2880, and Article 5 of the Board's Regulations, commencing at California Code of Regulations, Title 16, commencing at Section 2525.

- On June 30, 2017, the Executive Officer approved the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program's request to admit a part-time class of 45 students at the Ontario campus, commencing on September 19, 2017, graduating on August 11, 2019, to replace the class that graduates on June 17, 2017 and denied the Program's request to admit a part-time class of 45 students at the Costa Mesa campus, commencing on October 3, 2017, graduating on August 25, 2019, to replace the class that graduated on May 5, 2017 and denied the Program's request to admit a part-time class of 45 students at the Citadel campus, commencing on October 24. 2017, graduating on August 11, 2019, to replace the class that graduated on March 1, 2017 and continued to require the Program to admit no additional classes without prior approval by the Board and continued to require the Program, when requesting approval to admit students, to: (a) submit all documentation in final form, using the forms provided by the Board, no later than two months prior to the requested start date for the class and (b) provide documentation that adequate resources, i.e., faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students and continued to require the Program to comply with all approval standards in Article 4 of the Vocational Nursing Practice Act, commencing at Business and Professions Code Section 2880, and Article 5 of the Board's Regulations, California Code of Regulations, Title 16, commencing at Section 2525.
- On September 20, 2017, the Executive Officer approved the Program's request to admit a part-time class of 45 students at the Costa Mesa campus, commencing on October 24, 2017, graduating on September 15, 2019, to replace the class that graduated on May 5, 2017 and denied the Program's request to admit a part-time class of 45 students at the Citadel campus, commencing on October 24, 2017. graduating on August 11, 2019, to replace the class that graduated on March 1, 2017 and continued to require the Program to admit no additional classes without prior approval by the Board and continued to require the Program, when requesting approval to admit students, to: (a) Submit all documentation in final form, using the forms provided by the Board, no later than two months prior to the requested start date for the class (b) Provide documentation that adequate resources, i.e., faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students. (c) Ensure that the Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(I) and continued to require the Program to comply with all approval standards in Article 4 of the Vocational Nursing Practice Act, commencing at Business and Professions Code Section 2880, and Article 5 of the Board's Regulations, commencing at California Code of Regulations, Title 16, commencing at Section 2525.
- On December 29, 2017, the Executive Officer approved the Program's request to admit a part-time class of 45 students, to be held at the Costa Mesa campus, commencing on January 23, 2018, graduating on January 19, 2020, to replace the class that graduated on May 5, 2017 and approved the Program's request to admit a part-time class of 45 students, to be held at the Ontario campus, commencing on February 26, 2018, graduating on May 16, 2020 and approved the Program's request to admit a part-time class of 45 students, to be held at the Citadel campus,

commencing on March 26, 2018, graduating on June 6, 2020, to replace the class that graduated on May 20, 2017 and continued to require the Program to admit no additional classes without prior approval by the Board. Continued to require the Program, when requesting approval to admit students, to: (a) Submit all documentation in final form, using the forms provided by the Board, no later than two months prior to the requested start date for the class. (b) Provide documentation that adequate resources, i.e., faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students. (c) Ensure that the Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530 (I) and continued to require the Program to comply with all approval standards in Article 4 of the Vocational Nursing Practice Act, commencing at Business and Professions Code Section 2880, and Article 5 of the Board's Regulations, commencing at California Code of Regulations, Title 16, commencing at Section 2525.

- On April 26, 2018, the Executive Officer approved the following:
 - 1. Continued full approval for the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program for the period of May 11, 2018, through May 10, 2022, and issued a certificate accordingly.
 - 2. Approved the Program's request for a pattern of admission with the following stipulations:
 - a. No additional classes are added to the Program's pattern of admission without prior Board approval. The Program's pattern of admission will include admission of eight part-time classes per calendar year with 45 students in each class.
 - b. The Program Director documents that adequate resources, i.e., faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students.
 - 3. The Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with of the California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(I).
- On May 17, 2022, the Executive Officer rendered the following decision:
 - Granted continued full approval for the Pacific College, Costa Mesa, Vocational Nursing Program for a four-year period beginning May 10, 2022, and issued a certificate accordingly.
 - 2. Required the Program to comply with all requirements listed below.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

1. Required the Program to correct the violation identified by May 22, 2022.

- 2. Notify the NEC in the event a current class is displaced from clinical sites.
- 3. No additional classes may be added to the Program's pattern of admission without prior BVNPT approval. The Program's approved pattern of admission is five part time cohorts of 45 students per calendar year, replacing graduating classes only.
- 4. Document that adequate resources, i.e., faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students.
- 5. Maintain an average annual NCLEX-PN pass rate that is compliant with California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(I).
- Comply with all approval standards in Article 4 of the Vocational Nursing Practice
 Act, commencing at California Business and Professions Code Section 2880,
 and Article 5 of the California Code of Regulations, Title 16, commencing with
 Section 2525.
- 7. Board staff will continue to monitor the Program's effectiveness by tracking class admissions, the effectiveness of employed interventions, and the Program's licensure examination pass rates each quarter.
- On November 22, 2024, the Full Board rendered the following decision:
 - 1. Rescinded the pattern of admission for Pacific College, Costa Mesa, Vocational Nursing Program effective November 22, 2024.
 - 2. Required the Program to comply with all requirements listed below.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Required the Program to correct all identified deficiencies by January 13, 2025.
- 2. Close the Pacific College, Ontario satellite campus and apply as an affiliate campus by December 1, 2024.
- 3. Admit no additional classes without prior approval by the Board.
- 4. Required the Program, when requesting approval to admit students, to:
 - a. Submit all documentation in final form, using the forms provided by the BVNPT, no later than two months prior to the requested start date for the class.
 - b. Provide complete and accurate documentation that adequate resources, i.e., faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students.
 - c. Ensure that the Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with the California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(I).
- 5. Notify the NEC in the event a current class is displaced from clinical sites.

- 6. Continued the Program's requirement to comply with all the approval standards in Article 4 of the Vocational Nursing Practice Act, commencing with California Business and Professions Code, Section 2880, and in Article 5 of the California Code of Regulations, Title 16, commencing with Section 2525.
- 7. Board staff will continue to monitor the Program's effectiveness by tracking class admissions, the effectiveness of employed interventions, and the Program's licensure examination pass rates each quarter.