

**NOTIFICATION OF VOLUNTARY WITHDRAWAL FROM BOARD APPROVAL  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY, HOUSTON, TEXAS  
FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER PROGRAM**

**SUMMARY OF REQUEST:**

Consider the notification of voluntary withdrawal from Board approval received in Board office on July 10, 2007 from Prairie View A&M University Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) Program.

**HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE:**

- The Prairie View A&M University FNP advanced practice program was granted initial approval by the Board in April 1999 and began operation in June, 1999.
- The program prepares graduates to take the national certification examination and to function as Family Nurse Practitioners.
- The program's approval status moved from initial to full approval status at the October 2001 Board meeting.
- The program received initial accreditation from the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC) in February 2004.
- The program received initial accreditation from the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) in April, 2006.
- A letter requesting to withdraw the program from BNE approval dated June 22, 2007 was received in board office November 7, 2006 (Attachment #1).
- Rule 219.4(d)(3) related to *Accreditation* requires that "Withdrawal of accreditation status will become effective at the end of the yearly review period."
- The program will maintain full approval status until September 30, 2007 (Attachment #2).

**PROS:**

- The 2006 Annual Report from the program indicated that the program is in compliance with Rule 219, Advanced Nurse Practitioner Program.
- A review of the formal accreditation letter from NLNAC dated March 17, 2004 indicates that the program is scheduled for the next evaluation visit in Fall 2008.
- A review of the formal accreditation letter from CCNE dated May 1, 2006 indicates that the program is scheduled for the next evaluation visit in Spring 2011.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

No Board action required. This notification is for information purposes only.



# PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

A Member of The Texas A&M University System

June 22, 2007

Dr. Linda R. Rounds, President  
Texas Board of Nurse Examiners  
333 Guadalupe #3-460  
Austin, Texas 78701

Dear Dr. Rounds:

This is a request that the Family Nurse Practitioner Program offered by Prairie View A&M University College of Nursing be removed as accredited by the Texas Board of Nurse Examiners. This request is being rendered in respect to the Prairie View A&M University MSN Program being accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, Inc. (2004) and the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (2006). Verifications of both accreditations have been sent to Dr. Janice Hooper, Nursing Consultant for Education, Texas Board of Nurse Examiners.

Thank you for the Board's support of this request.

Sincerely,

Betty N. Adams, PhD., RN  
Dean and Professor  
College of Nursing

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Cc: Ms. Kathy Thomas, MN, RN  
Executive Director  
Texas Board of Nurse Examiners

**DRAFT LETTER**

Attachment #2  
Agenda Item: 3.2.5.

October 22, 2007

Betty N. Adams, PhD, RN  
Dean and Professor  
College of Nursing  
Prairie View A&M University  
6436 Fannin Street  
Houston, Texas 77030

Dear Dr. Adams:

At the October 18-19, 2007 meeting, the Board of Nurse Examiners reviewed the notification of the Prairie View A&M University College of Nursing to voluntarily withdraw their Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) Program from Board of Nurse Examiner's approval.

Rule 219.4(d)(3) related to *Accreditation* requires that "Withdrawal of accreditation status will become effective at the end of the yearly review period." Therefore, the program will maintain full BNE approval status until September 30, 2007.

Members of the Board wish the program continued success with the FNP Program at Prairie View A&M University, Houston, Texas.

If you have any questions or if we may be further assistance, please contact board staff at (512) 305-6814.

Sincerely,

Linda R. Rounds, PhD, RN, FNP  
President

Janice I. Hooper, PhD, RN  
Nursing Consultant for Education

copy: George Wright, PhD, President, Prairie View A&M University, Houston  
Pamela Wilson, PhD, RN, FNP-BC, Director of the FNP Program  
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