

**Proposal to Establish a New Nursing Education Program
Chamberlain College of Nursing in San Antonio, Texas
Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Education Program**

Summary of Request:

Consider the Chamberlain University College of Nursing proposal to establish a new Baccalaureate Degree Nursing (BSN) Education Program in San Antonio, Texas and the survey visit report (See Attachment #1). The final proposal was provided electronically to members of the Texas Board of Nursing (Board).

Historical Perspective:

- Chamberlain University College of Nursing (Chamberlain), formerly Deaconess College of Nursing, is a private degree-granting institution of higher learning established for the purpose of educating professional nurses. The college dates back to 1889, when the Deaconess Evangelical Society established a hospital school of nursing in St. Louis, Missouri, to train Deaconess Sisters as professional nurses. Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing was granted approval to offer a nursing program by the Missouri Board of Nursing in 1917. In 1983 the school transitioned to a free-standing College of Nursing, in an academic format.
- Deaconess College of Nursing received accreditation from the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) of The North Central Association of Colleges and Schools in 1985 following DeVry Education Group's purchase of the Deaconess College of Nursing. In 1989, Deaconess initiated an associate degree in nursing program designed for licensed practical nurses. An online RN-to-BSN Completion Option was added in 2000. Deaconess College of Nursing sought and was awarded accreditation for its BSN Program from the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC) in 1992. Following a successful NLNAC re-accreditation process in 1996, Deaconess College of Nursing applied for and received preliminary approval for the BSN Program from the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). The first onsite CCNE accreditation for the BSN Program occurred in 2004.
- In March 2005, Adtalem Global Education (formerly DeVry Education Group) acquired Deaconess. A term of the acquisition agreement required Adtalem to change the name of the school and the chosen name was Chamberlain.
- Chamberlain currently offers a pre-licensure BSN Program on 21 campuses in 15 states. In addition, Chamberlain offers an online RN to BSN Completion Program for nurses with an associate degree or diploma in nursing.

- Chamberlain has current regional accreditation from the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) of The North Central Association of Colleges and Schools with the next reaffirmation of accreditation in 2025-2026. Chamberlain achieved national nursing accreditation from the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) through December 31, 2024.
- Chamberlain was awarded a Certificate of Authorization by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) on December 20, 2018.
- A first draft of the proposal was received in the Board office on July 13, 2018 and reviewed by Board Staff. Following Board Staff's recommendations, a revised version was received on October 18, 2018. The proposal was deemed complete in November 2018 and a site visit was conducted on March 11, 2019 by Education Consultants Virginia D. Ayars, EdD, MS, RN, CNE, and Ann Amaefule, MSN, RN.

Summary of Proposal:

Overview of the Proposal:

- Chamberlain proposes to establish a new nursing education program at the BSN level in San Antonio, Texas. The proposal requests enrollment of an initial cohort of 36 students in August 2019, with a continuing admission of 36 students in three admission cohorts per year in September, January, and May.
- The BSN Program can be completed in three years of full-time, year-round study. Course work is offered in three semesters per year. Each semester is comprised of two sessions (terms) that are eight weeks in length. All nursing and science courses are offered face-to-face while the general education courses are provided online.
- Nursing courses require 66 semester credit hours (SCH), while general education courses equal 56 SCH, for a total of 122 SCH for the entire program. The nursing curriculum follows a linear progression making each semester a prerequisite to the next.
- Clinical learning experiences will be provided in the San Antonio area. Clinical contracts have been secured with South Texas Regional Medical Center, Peterson Regional Medical Center, Guadalupe Regional Medical Center, Frio Regional Hospital, Hill Country Memorial Hospital, Kerrville State Hospital, Methodist Healthcare System, San Antonio State Hospital, Warm Springs Rehabilitation Hospital of San Antonio, and Kirkwood Manor.

Rationale and Need for the Program:

- The BSN Program will be offered at the Chamberlain campus located at One 51 Office Centre, 9810 Highway 152, San Antonio, Texas. San Antonio, the seventh largest city in the United States, experienced a 10.7% growth in the population from 1,327,551 in 2010 to 1,469,845 in 2016. The proposal sets forth that by 2030, the supply of full-time RNs in Texas is expected to grow by 35.4% to 271,667 with a corresponding demand of 53.8%

to 331,638. This projection indicates a demand gap of 20%. The Workforce Development Area of San Antonio will have an additional 10,960 openings for RNs due to replacement and growth for the 2014 – 2024 time-period.

- In Texas, 7,440 qualified applicants, or about 30%, were turned away from 28 BSN Programs in the fall of 2016. The number of qualified applicants not offered admission increased by 2.5% from 7,255 in 2015 to 7,440 in 2016. The proposal explains that the addition of the Chamberlain BSN Program in San Antonio, Texas, would provide an opportunity for qualified applicants turned away from existing BSN Programs in Texas to attend Chamberlain.
- In response to surveys, prospective students cited easy access, limited day time traffic, and safety of the area as top reasons for considering a nursing education program in the San Antonio area. Chamberlain's BSN Program plans to offer enrollment three times a year versus the standard once per year in many other colleges and universities.
- Chamberlain sent a survey and introductory letter to the six BSN and the three associate degree nursing (ADN) programs within a 50-mile radius of the proposed Chamberlain San Antonio Campus. Of the nine nursing programs surveyed, four program directors responded to the survey, providing limited information.

Administration and Organization:

- In 2017, Chamberlain College of Nursing became Chamberlain University with two colleges, the College of Nursing and the College of Health Professions. Dr. Karen Cox, the University National President, oversees and directs Chamberlain's national management team of senior leaders (Administrative Council) who provide input and direction for meeting the University's goals. Administrative Council members oversee the implementation of related policies, budgetary allocations, and strategic goals within a scope of authority.
- Adtalem's purpose statement is to "empower students to achieve their goals, find success and make inspiring contributions to our global community". From this purpose flows the Chamberlain University College of Nursing mission, "to educate, empower, and embolden diverse healthcare professionals who advance the health of people, families, communities, and nations." The mission is grounded in Chamberlain's purpose, which is "to create an academic culture in which colleagues and students thrive and that cultivates extraordinary graduates."
- The proposal explains that financial support for a new campus in the first years of operation is incorporated into the University's operating budget which is also reviewed and approved by the Board of Trustees. Net income from all Chamberlain programs and campus operations is held in reserve to sustain new programs and campuses during their initial years. Ultimately, resources for the development and sustainability of a new campus are ensured by Adtalem Global Education.

- A budget for the first five years of operation for the Chamberlain BSN Program in San Antonio was included in the proposal. The budget includes funds dedicated to Program Director and faculty salaries, library resources, computers, audiovisuals, skills and simulation laboratory needs, consumable supplies, and administrative expenses.
- The San Antonio campus will be administered by an onsite campus president who will serve as the Program Director. The proposed BSN Program Director, Kelley E. Pennell, DNP, APRN, MSN, ACNS-BC, has been in professional nursing for 15 years and in nursing education for eight. Dr. Pennell has taught in didactic, clinical, and laboratory settings at multiple levels ranging from Pre-licensure to Post-licensure Advanced Practice Registered Nursing courses. Most recently, Dr. Pennell has held leadership positions in Nursing Education.

Faculty:

- Since Chamberlain offers the BSN Program in 15 states across the U.S., faculty have opportunities to move among campuses. Chamberlain has an extensive cadre of online faculty teaching nursing courses in the RN-BSN Degree Completion Program and the MSN Programs; some of these faculty members have expressed interest in teaching at the San Antonio campus.
- Chamberlain will ensure sufficient nursing faculty to conduct the nursing courses. Two full-time faculty members are budgeted for the first year. Additional faculty will be hired, as required by program growth, to ensure that faculty-to-student ratios in the classroom and in clinical learning experiences are maintained. Chamberlain strives for an overall 1: 8-10 ratio of faculty to students and requires a faculty to student ratio of 1: 8-10 in the clinical area.
- Chamberlain's Talent Acquisition team focuses on recruiting nursing leaders and faculty members. The team works with major and local job boards to post all faculty positions. Faculty members are recruited using multiple websites and resources. Clinical faculty members are termed "Visiting Professors" and attend faculty meetings.

Students:

- The proposed admission pattern is to annually enroll three cohorts of 36 students in each cohort. Total enrollments are expected to reach 400 students by the fifth year of operation.
- Students are admitted directly to the Program; they are not required to complete general education courses prior to starting the nursing program.
- The proposal sets forth that the typical Chamberlain BSN Program student body, across all pre-licensure programs, has the following general characteristics: applicants tend to be older than traditional nursing students as 62.7% are 25 years old or older, applicants have fewer resources and qualify for state and federal assistance in funding their

educations, and applicants are racially diverse. Therefore, the college would likely appeal to non-traditional students in the San Antonio area.

- A community survey of prospective students was conducted to determine the level of initial interest for enrollment in the Chamberlain BSN Program in San Antonio. Twenty-two potential students responded and Chamberlain is continuing to gather data on the prospective student population.

Program of Study:

- The BSN Program is comprised of 56 SCH of general education courses and 66 SCH of nursing courses for a total of 122 SCH. The BSN Program, made up of face-to-face and online courses, can be completed in three years of full-time, year-round study. Course work is offered in three semesters per year. Each semester is comprised of two sessions (terms) that are eight weeks in length.
- Chamberlain's pre-licensure curriculum is founded in professional nursing standards and guidelines that are integrated throughout the curriculum. These include accreditation standards, professional nursing organization standards, and regulatory standards from THECB and the Board. The pre-licensure curriculum is systematically evaluated for alignment of student learning outcomes with the institutional mission, philosophy, and conceptual framework. In addition, the curriculum is assessed for alignment with the American Association of Colleges of Nursing Baccalaureate Essentials, the Quality and Safety Education for Nurses competencies, and the Differentiated Essential Competencies.
- The nursing curriculum provides the opportunity for the student to acquire and demonstrate the professional nursing knowledge and skills necessary to assist clients to achieve an optimal level of health. This is accomplished through an integration of theoretical nursing knowledge with essential clinical skills. The curriculum integrates moral, ethical, and legal principles with critical thinking, decision-making, leadership, and management techniques.
- The BSN Program outcomes form the framework for the development of course learning objectives that identify expected student performance in the acquisition of knowledge and skills. Each level of study progresses from simple to complex in both breadth and depth.
- Chamberlain developed and implemented two specialty BSN options in 2015, the Concentration in Serving Hispanic Communities and the Military to BSN Option:
 - The Concentration in Serving Hispanic Communities is designed to provide students with the opportunity to develop or enhance a cultural connection with the Hispanic population in order to provide higher levels of quality and safety in nursing care. While still generalists in nursing practice, graduates of this specialty option

will be prepared to better meet the needs of Hispanic individuals, families, and communities.

- The Military to BSN Option provides a pathway to professional nursing practice for qualified active or veteran military individuals who wish to pursue a BSN. Qualified applicants can complete the BSN Program in as few as six semesters of coursework through the award of advanced standing by means of the Chamberlain Military Articulation Plan (CMAP). The option recognizes previous knowledge, training, and experience of military healthcare specialists and fosters career mobility for both active duty and veteran healthcare specialists.

Clinical Learning Experiences:

- Clinical contracts have been secured with South Texas Regional Medical Center, Peterson Regional Medical Center, Guadalupe Regional Medical Center, Frio Regional Hospital, Hill Country Memorial Hospital, Kerrville State Hospital, Methodist Healthcare System, San Antonio State Hospital, Warm Springs Rehabilitation Hospital of San Antonio, and Kirkwood Manor.
- Chamberlain has worked closely with its prospective clinical partners to utilize open spaces and times in those agencies not currently being used by existing affiliating programs, in an effort to not displace existing nursing education programs. Chamberlain will join the San Antonio/Galveston Clinical Coordination Consortium as soon as the program receives Board approval.
- During the time of proposal development, Chamberlain's focus was not to displace any established clinical affiliations between health care facilities and nursing education programs. Chamberlain worked closely with potential clinical partners to develop a schedule of clinical placements for students that utilized existing times and units in those facilities that would allow the Chamberlain students to appropriately meet course and clinical outcomes.

Facilities, Resources, and Services:

- Chamberlain has leased approximately 31,000 square feet to provide classrooms, conference rooms, and a student commons area as well as office space to accommodate faculty and staff. The space will include: six classrooms seating 32 students each; one classroom seating 36 students; two classrooms with a retractable wall between to allow large lectures and student testing for up to 68 students; a Testing Center with eight test carrels; a Student Admissions Suite for two admissions advisors and four meeting rooms. In addition, shared faculty offices for twelve instructors, an adjunct faculty room seating eight instructors, and a faculty break room will be available.
- Chamberlain's library services are available on campus and virtually. The e-book collection includes more than 300,000 volumes and is regularly updated and expanded. A

significant online collection of nursing journals supports scholarly endeavors across the curriculum.

- Support services include academic advisement, nursing laboratory, computer laboratories, library services, tutoring, and clinical facilities. Chamberlain's Center for Academic Success is a resource center designed to assist students with academic success. The Center will provide students with an opportunity to enlist the services of peer and professional tutors for assistance with course content in both nursing and general education courses.

Total Program Evaluation Plan:

- Chamberlain's Total Program Evaluation (TPE) will include the following areas for assessment and evaluation: organization and administration of the program (including program policies); philosophy/mission and objectives/outcomes; program of study, curriculum, and instructional techniques; educational facilities, resources, and services; affiliating agencies and clinical learning activities; students' achievement; graduate outcomes; and faculty members' performance.
- The curriculum will undergo a comprehensive review at least every three years to ensure currency. The review will include re-evaluation of alignments of student learning outcomes with institutional mission, philosophy, and conceptual framework. In addition, the curriculum will be evaluated for alignment with the AACN Baccalaureate Essentials, QSEN competencies, and Board requirements for BSN curricula.
- The program's TPE Plan is well-developed and provides measurable benchmarks of achievement. Detailed indicators of academic effectiveness and BSN student learning outcomes are presented in the proposal. All required elements of Board Rule 215.13 are fully addressed.

Rationale for Recommendation:

Pros:

- Dr. Kelley Pennell, the proposed BSN Program Director, meets all requirements of Board Rule 215.6 to assume the leadership position. Dr. Pennell is an experienced and accomplished nurse educator.
- The administration has committed the resources to the implementation and maintenance of the new BSN Program.
- The two specialty BSN Options, the Concentration in Serving Hispanic Communities and the Military to BSN Option, are appropriate to the San Antonio community.

Cons:

- The proposed enrollment pattern projects rapid growth.

Staff Recommendation:

Move to grant initial approval to Chamberlain University College of Nursing to establish a new Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Education Program in San Antonio, Texas, and impose the conditions/requirements in the attached letter and Board Order (See Attachment #2).

**TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING
SURVEY VISIT PROGRAM REPORT
Professional Nursing Education Program**

NAME OF NURSING PROGRAM: Chamberlain College of Nursing Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Education Program

PROPOSED DIRECTOR: Kelley E. Pennell, DNP, APRN, MSN, ACNS-BC

REASON FOR SURVEY: New Proposal **DATE:** March 11, 2019

SURVEY VISITORS: Virginia D. Ayars, EdD, MS, RN, CNE, and
Ann Amaefule, MSN, RN

In this report the nursing program met standards and criteria unless otherwise indicated by narrative. Narrative in the Evidence column documents findings of pertinent data, outstanding performance, or deficiencies. Narrative in the Comments column includes recommendations or requirements to be met based on analysis of the survey visit.

STANDARD/CRITERIA	EVIDENCE	COMMENTS
§215.11 Facilities, Resources, and Services		
(a) The controlling agency/governing institution shall be responsible for providing: (1) educational facilities, (2) resources, and (3) services which support the effective development and implementation of the nursing educational program.	<p>Chamberlain College of Nursing is housed in a one-story 31,000 square-foot building located at One 51 Office Centre, 9810 Highway 151, San Antonio, Texas. The Chamberlain San Antonio Campus has appropriate classroom and academic support space for the proposed Baccalaureate Degree Nursing (BSN) Education Program.</p> <p>The administration of Chamberlain has strongly supported the development of the new BSN Program. During the survey visit, the Education Consultants toured the campus and met with the Leadership Team:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Kelley Pennell, Campus President• Dr. Kim LaMar, Senior Director Campus Operations-West Region	Criteria Met

STANDARD/CRITERIA	EVIDENCE	COMMENTS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Tona L. Leiker, Director, Regulation & Accreditation • Barbara Halle, Sr. Manager, State Licensing & Regulation • Rosina Perez, Director Campus Operations <p>And specialists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Carie L. Powers, Regional Director of Admissions • Dr. Kris Horn, Associate Dean General Education • Andre Moreland, Manager Student Services • Andrew Clemens, Security • Colleen Ricci, Administrative Coordinator • Dan Hanak, IT Director • Lindsey Taylor, Senior Manager Student Services Operations • Rachel Perry-Hanses, Director of Library & Information Services • Samantha Keck, Specialist SIMCare Operations • Stacey Fox, Project Manager Growth Initiatives • Susan Marsh, Event Coordinator Accreditation and Professional Regulation • Tiffany Ciolek, Senior Director Campus Operations <p>Chamberlain's Center for Academic Success (CAS) is located in the Learning Commons and is designed to provide students with access to a variety of support services. The Learning Commons provides resources to assist students in mastering program content and improving skills and performance through access to tutors and other</p>	

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	<p>resources.</p> <p>Computers, books, whiteboards, educational games, and hands-on models are incorporated into the physical layout of the CAS to encourage creativity in learning and provide access to a variety of materials to match learning styles and needs of students.</p> <p>The CAS provides students an opportunity to enlist the services of peer and professional tutors for assistance with course content in both nursing and general education courses. Tutors will provide resources for academic support, advice on study skills, and insight into particular classes and instructors.</p> <p>Upon acceptance to Chamberlain, each student is assigned a student support advisor (SSA) who will be the primary point of contact for assisting the student with financial and academic concerns, as well as identifying available resources to promote student success.</p> <p>The Chamberlain – San Antonio campus is in an easily accessible San Antonio location. The facility has adequate space for the projected initial enrollment of 36 students and is fully equipped for the first year of operation. Ample parking is available.</p>	
<p>(b) An appropriately equipped skills laboratory shall be provided to accommodate the maximum number of students allowed for the program.</p> <p>(1) The laboratory shall be equipped with hot and cold</p>	<p>The nursing skills laboratories include the following:</p> <p>Wet Science Lab - The Science Lab is equipped with microscopes, a fume hood, eye wash area, sinks, lab preparatory area, and other equipment.</p>	<p>Criteria Met</p>

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<p>running water. (2) The laboratory shall have adequate storage for equipment and supplies.</p>	<p>SIMCARE CENTER™ includes simulation bays, a lab prep area, control rooms, briefing rooms, storage rooms and a compressor.</p> <p>Nursing Labs – includes six work stations, concept stations providing resources for development of specific nursing skills (e.g., sterile technique), tables, chairs, and a projector and screen.</p> <p>There are two nursing learning labs and two simulation bays with the following square footage: simulation bay 1 (birthing bay): 225 square feet; simulation bay 2-4: 210 square feet; learning lab: 1,000 square feet; briefing room: 260 square feet; control rooms: 100 square feet; and nursing station: 150 square feet.</p> <p>The spacious state-of-the-art Simulation Labs are equipped with:</p> <p>one High Fidelity (HF) birthing simulator; one HF adult simulator; one HF pediatric simulator; 10 adult gender-neutral Mid Fidelity simulators; one HF baby simulator; one Low Fidelity baby simulator; 12 Sim Pads; and 10 portable computers.</p> <p>The sinks have hot and cold running water with storage space below. Ample storage rooms are located in the Lab to provide secure space for equipment and supplies.</p>	
<p>(c) The dean/director and faculty shall have adequate secretarial and clerical assistance to meet the needs of the program.</p>	<p>There will be one full time administrative assistant for the BSN Program.</p>	<p>Criteria Met</p>

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<p>(d) The physical facilities shall be adequate to meet the needs of the program in relation to the size of the faculty and the student body.</p> <p>(1) The dean/director shall have a private office.</p> <p>(2) Faculty offices shall be conveniently located and adequate in number and size to provide faculty with privacy for conferences with students and uninterrupted work.</p> <p>(3) Space for clerical staff, records, files, and equipment shall be adequate.</p> <p>(4) There shall be mechanisms which provide for the security of sensitive materials, such as examinations and health records.</p> <p>(5) Classrooms, laboratories, and conference rooms shall be conducive to learning and adequate in number, size, and type for the number of students and the educational purposes for which the rooms are used.</p> <p>(6) Teaching aids shall be provided to meet the objectives/outcomes of the program.</p> <p>(7) Adequate restrooms and lounges shall be provided convenient to the classroom.</p>	<p>The Director's spacious, private office is in the Administrative Hall and convenient to faculty offices. Full-time faculty are provided with private, fully-equipped offices. Visiting Professors' (adjunct faculty) shared office space is nearby and stocked with equipment and supplies for faculty.</p> <p>Ample space for clerical staff, records storage, and equipment was noted.</p> <p>A locked closet near the Director's office will store confidential records.</p> <p>Seven classrooms are present, and the campus utilizes laptops and a charging cart. Each classroom is equipped with a computer, projector, and screen and has access to the Internet. The classrooms offer Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant desks that are wheelchair accessible.</p> <p>Six Smart classrooms seating 32 students each and one classroom seating 36 students are available. All are spacious with natural light. Two classrooms with a retractable wall between them can allow large lectures and student testing for up to 68 students.</p> <p>Three small conference rooms to seat four, one medium conference room to seat eight, and one large conference room to seat ten (all with whiteboards) are available for student counseling, meetings, and student work groups.</p> <p>All classrooms are technology-enhanced to create opportunities in teaching and learning by</p>	<p>Criteria Met</p>

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	<p>integrating networking, digital, audiovisual technologies, and Video-Connected Classroom.</p> <p>Other technology resources include computers for all faculty, staff, managers and administration, and hardware and software available in classrooms for presentations, lectures and conferences.</p> <p>Chamberlain – San Antonio has mobile laptops that will be accessible in all classrooms on the campus. Smart board technology will be located in the CAS. Students and faculty will have access to classroom clickers and presentation technology for interactive learning in the classroom.</p> <p>All restrooms and the student lounge are ADA compliant. A wheelchair ramp is located at the entrance to the building.</p>	
<p>(e) The learning resources, library, and departmental holdings shall be current, use contemporary technology appropriate for the level of the curriculum, and be sufficient for the size of the student body and the needs of the faculty.</p> <p>(1) Provisions shall be made for accessibility, availability, and timely delivery of information resources.</p> <p>(2) Facilities and policies shall promote effective use, i.e. environment, accessibility, and hours of operation.</p>	<p>Chamberlain's library services are delivered in virtual as well as physical environments from program initiation to beyond graduation. Library users are able to locate and access critical resources, including professional librarians that support information literacy and learning outcomes. The library contains nursing specific print reserve texts including copies of all required course texts. The library also offers extensive online collections through the Chamberlain website. Dedicated computer stations are provided to students in order to access databases, learning resources, e-books, and online journals. Library e-resources are remotely accessible regardless of whether a student is on campus or online.</p> <p>The Chamberlain Library is a member of the OCLC WorldShare lending services as well as the</p>	Criteria Met

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	<p>Docline service hosted by the National Library of Medicine. Research materials not held by Chamberlain may be requested through interlibrary loan service, prominently linked to the library webpage.</p> <p>Another feature of the library is Ask-a-Librarian, designed to provide immediate assistance to students and faculty with the Ask-a-Librarian chat service. Students are able to seek assistance with resources, information, and research questions. Students may also e-mail and receive a response within 24 hours.</p>	

Pros and Cons from Survey Visit:

Pros:

- Facilities, resources, and services are adequate to meet the needs of the proposed BSN Program.

Cons:

- None identified.

DRAFT LETTER

April 29, 2019

Kelley E. Pennell, DNP, APRN, MSN, ACNS-BC
Campus President
Chamberlain College of Nursing
One 51 Office Centre
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San Antonio, Texas.

Dear Dr. Pennell:

At the April 25-26, 2019 meeting, members of the Texas Board of Nursing discussed the Chamberlain University College of Nursing Proposal to Establish a New Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Education Program in San Antonio, Texas, and the report of the March 11, 2019, survey visit. The Board wishes to thank you, XXXXXXX for being present to answer questions. Based upon the discussion and review of documents, it was the decision of the Board to grant initial approval to Chamberlain University College of Nursing to establish a new Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Education Program in San Antonio, Texas, and impose the conditions and requirements in the attached Board Order.

We wish you success with the program. If you have questions, or if we may be of assistance, please contact Board Staff at virginia.ayars@bon.texas.gov or 512-305-7660.

Sincerely,

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

Copy: Dr. Karen Cox, Chamberlain University President
Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board
Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools
Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

ORDER OF THE BOARD

In the Matter of
Chamberlain University College of Nursing
Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Education Program
In San Antonio, Texas

A public meeting of the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, was held on April 25, 2019, 333 Guadalupe, Tower II, Room 225, Austin, Texas, to consider the Chamberlain University College of Nursing proposal to establish a new Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Education Program in San Antonio, Texas, based upon the review of the proposal and survey visit report, pursuant to Section 301.157, Texas Occupations Code and 22 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 215.

After review and due consideration of the filed materials, as well as the presentation by the representatives from Chamberlain University College of Nursing in San Antonio, Texas, and other interested parties, if any, the Board hereby grants INITIAL APPROVAL of the Chamberlain University College of Nursing Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Education Program in San Antonio, Texas and imposes the following conditions and requirements:

1. The program shall not admit more than one (1) cohort of thirty-six (36) students in August 2019, with a continuing admission of thirty-six (36) students in three (3) admission cohorts per year in September, January, and May.

Entered this 25th day of April, 2019

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