

**Consideration for Change in Approval Status
 From Full Approval with Warning to Full Approval
 Clarendon College in Pampa, Texas
 Associate Degree Nursing Education Program**

Summary of Request:

Consider a proposed change in the program approval status for the Clarendon College (CC) Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Education Program in Pampa, Texas, based upon review of the NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate for 2018 and compliance with Rule 215.

Historical Perspective:

- The CC ADN Program was approved at the April 2014 Board meeting and enrolled the first cohort of 30 students in May 2014.
- Sabrina McCain, MSN, RN, has been the Board approved Program Director since May 2018 and served as Interim Program Director and faculty prior to this appointment.
- CC is nationally accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and is approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.
- CC offers both a Traditional ADN Program for students with no nursing experience as well as an ADN Mobility Program for Licensed Vocational Nurses. The Traditional ADN Program is offered at the Pampa campus and the ADN Mobility Program is offered at both the Pampa and the Childress campuses.
- The Traditional ADN Program is a two-year program and the ADN Mobility Program is a one-year program; both are presented in face-to-face instruction.
- The NCLEX-RN® examination pass rates for CC ADN Program for the past three years are included in the table below:

Examination Year	BON Approval Status	NCLEX-RN® Examination Pass Rate	Number of First Time Candidates (Passed/Total)
2018	Pending change in approval	87.50%	21/24
2017	Full with Warning	76.67%	23/30
2016	Full	75.86%	22/29
2015	Full	93.75%	15/16
2014	New Program		

- Due to the 2016 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate of 75.86%, the Interim Program Director and faculty were required to submit a Self-Study Report (SSR) in 2017 to evaluate factors that may have contributed to the graduates' performance on the NCLEX-RN® examination and a description of the corrective measures to be implemented.
- The Interim Program Director and faculty members identified factors in the SSR that may have contributed to the decline in the pass rate and designed the following corrective measures:
 - Adhere to established admission criteria;
 - Establish an admission/progression committee to include faculty;
 - Recruit qualified faculty applicants and provide formal orientation;
 - Provide opportunities for faculty development to include test writing and analysis;
 - Incorporate structured student remediation early in the program to ensure student success;
 - Review and revise course syllabi to include a grading scale to evaluate student clinical performance;
 - Establish a nursing faculty testing committee to establish a testing policy;
 - Incorporate NCLEX-RN® categories and Bloom's taxonomy into blue print and test item writing; and
 - Initiate a questionnaire for graduates at one and three years post-graduation to determine satisfaction.
- Despite these efforts for improvement, the pass rate for 2017 was 76.67%. The program has provided several updates to the Board regarding their corrective measures including an updated SSR in 2018.
- In January 2018, the Board changed the approval status of the ADN program from Full Approval to Full Approval with Warning, and issued a requirement for a survey visit.
- The survey visit focused on the program's identified areas for improvement and corrective measures taken by the program.
- The Board formally accepted the report of the survey visit to the CC ADN Program at the October 2018 Board meeting.

Rationale for Recommendation:

The program has demonstrated a 2018 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate of 87.50% (21/24) for first time candidates and is in full compliance with Rule 215.

Staff Recommendation:

Move to change the approval status for the Clarendon College Associate Degree Nursing Education Program in Pampa, Texas, from Full Approval with Warning to Full Approval based upon the 2018 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate and compliance with Rule 215, as indicated in the attached letter and Board Order (See Attachment #1).

DRAFT LETTER

January 24, 2019

Sabrina McCain, MSN, RN, Program Director
Associate Degree Nursing Education Program
Clarendon College
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Pampa, Texas 79065

Dear Ms. McCain:

At the January 24-25, 2019 meeting, the members of the Texas Board of Nursing (Board) discussed the approval status for the Clarendon College Associate Degree Nursing Education Program in Pampa, Texas, based upon review of the NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate for 2018 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 for the Clarendon College Associate Degree Nursing Education Program in Pampa, Texas, from Full Approval with Warning to Full Approval as indicated in the attached Board Order. Congratulations upon this achievement.

If you have any questions or if we may be of assistance, please contact Board Staff at beverly.skloss@bon.texas.gov or 512-318-3219.

Sincerely,

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

copy: Dr. R. K. Riza, President
Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

ORDER OF THE BOARD

In the Matter of
Clarendon College
Associate Degree Nursing Education Program
In Pampa, Texas

A public meeting of the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, was held on January 24, 2019, 333 Guadalupe, Tower II, Room 225, Austin, Texas, to consider the approval status for the Clarendon College Associate Degree Nursing Education Program in Pampa, Texas, pursuant to Section 301.157, Texas Occupations Code and 22 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 215, based upon the NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate for 2018 and compliance with Rule 215.

After review and due consideration of the materials presented by Staff and filed by Clarendon College in Pampa, Texas, and other interested parties, if any, the Board hereby CHANGES the approval status of the Clarendon College Associate Degree Nursing Education Program in Pampa, Texas from FULL APPROVAL WITH WARNING to FULL APPROVAL.

Entered this 24th day of January, 2019

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