

**Consideration of Change in Approval Status
From Initial Approval to Full Approval
Galen College of Nursing in San Antonio, Texas
Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Education Program**

Summary of Request:

Consider a proposed change in the program approval status for the Galen College of Nursing (Galen) Baccalaureate Degree Nursing (BSN) Education Program in San Antonio, Texas, based upon review of the NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate for 2020 and compliance with Rule 215.

Historical Perspective:

- The Galen BSN Program in San Antonio, Texas, was approved at the October 2016 Texas Board of Nursing (Board) meeting and enrolled the first cohort of students in April 2017.
- Galen also offers pre-licensure practical/vocational and associate degree, and post-licensure baccalaureate degree nursing education programs. The college has four campuses, located in San Antonio, Texas; Louisville, Kentucky; Saint Petersburg, Florida; and Cincinnati, Ohio; as well as an online presence.
- Galen has been accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award associate and baccalaureate degrees since December 2013.
- Tara Dailey, DNP, MSN, RN, an accomplished nurse educator and nursing program administrator, has served as the Galen BSN Program Director since July 2020.
- The BSN program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education through December 31, 2024.

Rationale for Recommendation:

The program has had a graduating cohort with a 2020 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate of 87.80% (36/41) and is eligible for full approval.

Staff Recommendation:

Move to change the approval status for the Galen College of Nursing Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Education Program in San Antonio, Texas, from Initial Approval to Full Approval based upon review of the NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate for 2020 and compliance with Rule 215, as indicated in the attached letter and Board Order (See Attachment #1).

DRAFT LETTER

January 22, 2021

Tara Dailey, DNP, MSN, RN
Program Director
Galen College of Nursing
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San Antonio, TX 78229

Dear Dr. Dailey:

At the January 21, 2021, meeting the members of the Texas Board of Nursing (Board) discussed the approval status for the Galen College of Nursing Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Education Program in San Antonio, Texas, based upon review of the NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate for 2020 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 Galen College of Nursing Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Education Program in San Antonio, Texas, from Initial Approval to Full Approval as indicated in the attached Board Order. Congratulations upon this achievement. The program will be issued a certificate of approval following the April 2021 Board meeting.

If you have any 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: Mr. Mark Vogt, Chief Executive Officer
Dr. Joan Frey, Academic President
Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

ORDER OF THE BOARD

In the Matter of
Galen 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 virtually on January 21, 2021, to consider the approval status for the Galen College of Nursing Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Education Program in San Antonio, 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 2020 and compliance with Rule 215.

After review and due consideration of the materials presented by Staff and filed by the Galen College of Nursing Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Education Program in San Antonio, Texas, and other interested parties, if any, the Board hereby CHANGES the approval status of the Galen College of Nursing Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Education Program in San Antonio, Texas, from INITIAL APPROVAL to FULL APPROVAL.

Entered this 21st day of January, 2021

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