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DATE	February 1, 2023
то	Board Members
FROM	Beth DeYoung, MPH, RN Supervising Nursing Education Consultant (SNEC)
SUBJECT	Education Division Report

# **Site Visits**

The Nursing Education Consultants (NECs) have continued onsite program visits, mostly related to the continued approval process for programs known as the Program Records Survey (PRS). During the period of October 1, 2022, to December 31, 2022, the NEC's conducted eight onsite program visits.

# <u>Issues and Challenges During the COVID-19 Pandemic</u>:

The NECs communicate regularly with Program Directors to ensure that the programs are complying with regulations and the students are not negatively impacted by loss of clinical sites due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Vocational Nursing (VN) and Psychiatric Technician (PT) programs faced many challenges during the past two years and have been creative with various clinical modalities to continue to move their students forward. The NEC's will continue working with the 20 programs who are still in need of temporary alternative modalities for accomplishing clinical hours due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

# **Initial Approval of New School or Program**

From the initial cohort of applicants, who were on the Board's waiting list on or before December 31, 2019, nine applicants submitted a Letter of Intent by February 2, 2022. These nine applicants were assigned to an NEC from June 19, 2022, to August 1, 2022, after submission of their completed program approval application. Six of the nine applicants from this cohort have been approved to start a vocational nursing program.

Since the Public Stakeholder Meeting on October 6, 2022, and the three online training sessions to present the new VN and PT regulations for the program application process for a new school or program, five programs have submitted a Letter of Intent for Initial Approval of New School or Program. Two of the five programs who submitted a completed Letter of Intent without deficiencies have been assigned to an NEC.

# **Staff Updates**

The Governor's 2022-23 Budget includes funds specifically to hire two additional NEC's and one Associate Government Program Analyst (AGPA) to assist with the new school or program application process which began January 2022. In addition, we have one vacant Program Technician position. With the recent promotion of an NEC to the SNEC position, one candidate was hired on October 24, 2022, to fill the vacant permanent full-time NEC position. In addition, one candidate has been identified for the vacant full-time Program Technician position and is working through the hiring process. We continue working to fill all new and vacant positions.

# **Director Forum**

The Education Division holds semi-annual forums with VN and PT program directors. The Spring 2023 Online Director Forum will be held on May 3, 2023, via WebEx. The 2023 Spring Online Director Forum will be a one-day conference. Previously, the forum was scheduled for two four-hour days which repeated the same content on the second day. The one-day conference in May will allow more time for additional presentations, director networking, and extended Q&A sessions.

# **Licensure Examination Development**

The Education Division recruited seven licensed psychiatric technicians (PTs) as subject matter experts (SMEs) to assist with the development of the California Psychiatric Technician Licensure Examination. The three-day workshop was held from January 11-13, 2023, for evaluating the current examinations and to assist with item test writing/examination development.

# **Organizational Improvement Office**

DCA's Organizational Improvement Office (OIO) provides DCA boards and bureaus with change management services, business process mapping, and information technology system requirement documentation as well as collaborative consulting on process reengineering that maximizes utilization of existing resources, improves productivity, and increases quality. With the assistance of the OIO, the Education Division completed the mapping process for identifying steps of specific tasks within the Division. The OIO is preparing their report detailing specific recommendations on improving efficiencies throughout the Education Division. The final report will be presented to the Executive Officer (EO) for review. The report and recommendations will be presented to the Board at a future meeting.



# **Education Division Statistical Data**

January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2022

**Executive Summary** 

## Approved Active Programs - VN

Month	Total 2022	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018
Jan	134	123	128	131	132
Feb	134	124	128	126	132
Mar	135	126	130	127	132
Apr	136	126	129	126	129
May	138	129	129	127	129
June	139	131	125	120	129
Jul	139	131	124	130	129
Aug	139	132	122	129	128
Sep	139	132	125	129	128
Oct	139	132	123	129	128
Nov	140	133	123	130	127
Dec	143	134	123	129	127

## Approved Active Programs - PT

Month	Total 2022	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018
Jan	11	12	13	13	12
Feb	11	12	13	13	12
Mar	11	12	13	13	12
Apr	11	12	13	14	13
May	11	12	14	12	13
June	11	12	12	12	13
Jul	11	12	12	13	13
Aug	11	11	12	13	13
Sep	11	11	12	13	13
Oct	11	11	12	13	13
Nov	11	11	12	13	13
Dec	11	11	12	13	13

## Provisionally Approved Active Programs - VN

Month	Total 2022	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018
Jan	9	14	11	10	11
Feb	9	14	10	13	11
Mar	7	12	10	13	11
Apr	7	12	13	13	11
May	6	11	13	9	11
June	5	9	12	7	11
Jul	5	9	12	8	11
Aug	5	9	14	9	13
Sep	5	9	14	16	13
Oct	5	9	13	9	13
Nov	5	9	14	9	14
Dec	5	9	14	11	14

## Provisionally Approved Active Programs - PT

Month	Total 2022	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018
Jan	1	1	1	1	1
Feb	1	1	1	1	1
Mar	1	1	1	1	1
Apr	1	1	2	1	1
May	1	1	2	1	1
June	1	1	1	1	1
Jul	1	1	1	1	1
Aug	1	2	1	1	1
Sep	1	2	1	1	1
Oct	1	2	1	1	1
Nov	1	2	1	1	1
Dec	1	2	1	1	1

#### Assigned Proposed Programs - VN

Month	Total 2022	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018
Jan	10	10	20	11	22
Feb	10	9	19	11	22
Mar	18	9	17	10	22
Apr	18	9	16	13	21
May	14	18	16	13	24
June	14	18	16	20	24
Jul	13	17	16	22	24
Aug	12	16	14	21	24
Sep	12	15	17	21	24
Oct	12	15	14	22	12
Nov	11	13	13	21	11
Dec	10	11	13	20	15

## Assigned Proposed Programs – PT

Month	Total 2022	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018
Jan	0	0	1	0	1
Feb	0	0	0	0	1
Mar	0	0	0	0	1
Apr	0	0	0	0	1
May	0	0	0	0	1
June	0	0	0	0	1
Jul	0	0	0	2	1
Aug	0	0	0	1	1
Sep	0	0	2	1	1
Oct	0	0	0	1	0
Nov	0	0	0	1	0
Dec	0	0	0	1	0

# ${\bf Unassigned\ Proposed\ Programs-VN}$

Month	Total 2022	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018
Jan	53	43	33	32	27
Feb	47	52	32	32	27
Mar	36	57	32	32	27
Apr	36	58	33	24	28
May	36	42	34	24	28
June	36	47	35	24	28
Jul	36	49	35	24	28
Aug	36	50	37	27	28
Sep	36	50	38	29	28
Oct	1	51	41	31	19
Nov	4	53	41	33	20
Dec	4	53	41	33	22

# Unassigned Proposed Programs – PT

Month	Total 2022	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018
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Jan	3	2	1	2	0
Feb	3	2	1	2	0
Mar	2	3	1	2	0
Apr	2	3	1	1	1
May	2	3	1	1	1
June	2	3	1	1	1
Jul	2	3	1	1	1
Aug	2	3	1	1	1
Sep	2	3	1	1	1
Oct	0	3	1	1	2
Nov	0	3	1	1	2
Dec	0	3	1	1	2

<sup>\*\*</sup>These eight categories are captured on a monthly basis and do not accumulate into yearly totals.

#### **Complaints Received Regarding Approved Programs**

# Change Requests from Programs (# of times reviewed)

Month	Total 2022	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018
Jan	8	10	5	7	11
Feb	1	16	8	10	7
Mar	5	10	7	8	7
Apr	10	5	2	9	7
May	9	3	16	7	5
June	12	7	1	5	5
Jul	16	2	10	3	4
Aug	9	3	10	5	5
Sep	13	8	7	6	6
Oct	11	4	10	19	8
Nov	8	11	12	16	6
Dec	1	10	7	9	10
Total	103	89	95	104	81

Month	Total 2022	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018
Jan	1,131	784	460	341	375
Feb	935	532	425	286	126
Mar	1,062	644	548	295	126
Apr	1,036	665	632	253	126
May	1,253	832	556	302	170
June	1,210	1,056	545	418	171
Jul	1,125	777	614	470	171
Aug	1,285	843	581	435	275
Sep	1,318	944	496	461	276
Oct	1,252	721	610	453	333
Nov	1,188	759	523	488	206
Dec	865	779	610	426	271
Total	13,660	9,336	6,600	4,628	2,626

# Faculty Approval Applications (# of times reviewed)

# Facility Approval Applications (# of times reviewed)

Month	Total 2022	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018
Jan	321	219	196	174	286
Feb	292	218	197	123	122
Mar	394	309	119	160	122
Apr	367	306	88	203	122
May	315	260	100	196	228
June	390	230	202	155	229
Jul	299	349	287	232	128
Aug	371	386	247	218	196
Sep	440	285	242	183	196
Oct	371	422	243	205	222
Nov	414	289	227	184	176
Dec	263	392	213	208	173
Total	4,237	3,665	2,361	2,241	2,200

Month	Total 2022	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018
Jan	274	183	280	141	228
Feb	351	286	171	147	111
Mar	554	480	178	162	111
Apr	472	440	31	157	112
May	460	421	69	232	96
June	411	313	212	216	97
Jul	385	234	266	155	97
Aug	399	407	341	150	181
Sep	376	345	314	165	182
Oct	490	329	333	190	146
Nov	616	308	302	199	125
Dec	511	250	250	208	109
Total	5,299	3,996	2,747	2,122	1,595

# Reports for Executive Officer Review

## **Reports for Board Meetings**

Month	Total 2022	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018
Jan	20	10	20	19	26
Feb	10	6	15	9	15
Mar	28	5	11	13	15
Apr	10	8	5	14	15
May	32	11	15	15	13
June	19	19	12	15	13
Jul	6	8	20	13	13
Aug	13	9	8	16	16
Sep	9	10	13	17	16
Oct	3	13	20	10	13
Nov	24	18	6	11	9
Dec	2	1	11	10	13
Total	176	118	156	162	177

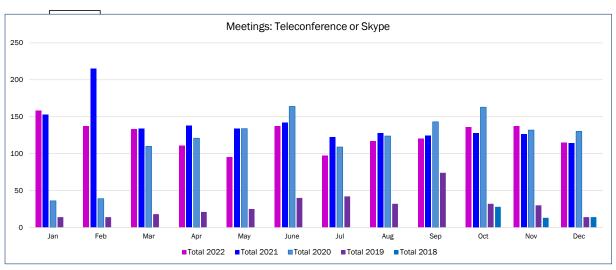
Month	Total 2022	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018
Jan	4	9	8	7	8
Feb	8	8	9	10	2
Mar	1	1	6	6	2
Apr	1	2	8	5	3
May	3	12	9	11	3
June	4	3	4	8	3
Jul	5	2	9	10	3
Aug	1	6	10	8	4
Sep	0	1	4	6	4
Oct	0	1	8	6	10
Nov	5	5	8	6	7
Dec	0	1	8	5	6
Total	32	51	91	88	55

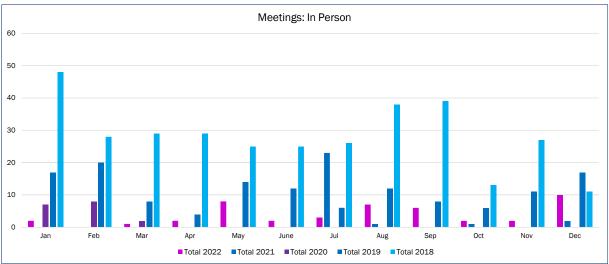
## Inspections: Onsite

Inspections: Program Record Surveys completed

Month	Total 2022	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018
Jan	5	1	4	6	6
Feb	2	1	3	1	3
Mar	6	1	2	4	4
Apr	5	4	0	5	4
May	10	1	0	4	1
June	5	3	0	3	2
Jul	6	7	1	4	2
Aug	6	11	1	4	3
Sep	6	5	1	3	3
Oct	5	3	0	4	6
Nov	0	1	0	3	4
Dec	3	5	0	4	1
Total	59	43	12	45	39

Dec Total	2 <b>52</b>	0 <b>60</b>	7 <b>52</b>	2 <b>59</b>	6 <b>58</b>
Nov	5	3	3	9	2
Oct	5	9	3	6	6
Sep	2	5	1	8	7
Aug	5	10	3	1	6
Jul	2	7	5	3	3
June	6	2	1	6	3
May	6	2	1	6	3
Apr	6	5	7	5	5
Mar	8	5	7	3	5
Feb	1	5	3	3	4
Jan	4	7	11	7	8
Month	Total 2022	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018



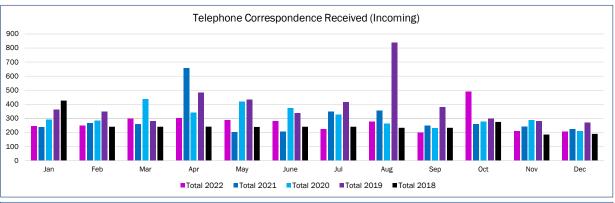


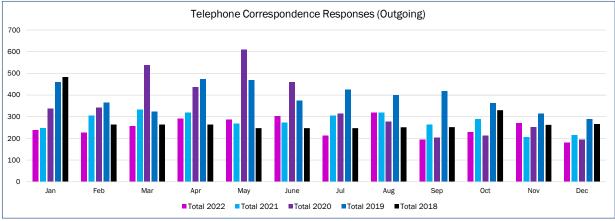
#### Written Correspondence Received (Incoming)

Month Total 2022 Total 2021 Total 2020 Total 2019 Total 2018 3,738 3,655 2,729 1,407 2,509 Jan Feb 3,863 4,393 2,593 1,338 1,465 3,737 1,465 Mar 4,017 3,717 989 1,466 3,426 3,328 1,129 3,381 Apr May 3,705 3,334 3,322 1,353 1,317 June 3,904 3,545 2,588 1,496 1,318 2,824 3,252 2,518 2,015 1,317 Jul 1,444 3,302 1,918 Aug 3,264 2,688 3,463 2,514 2,377 1,445 Sep 2,668 3,190 2,985 2,875 2,690 Oct 3,842 1,984 1,359 Nov 3,489 1,827 1,244 Dec 2,470 3,298 2,741 1,684 1,212 40,009 42,736 34,303 19,517 Total 17,561

Written Correspondence Responses (Outgoing)

Month	Total 2022	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018
Jan	2,955	3,065	1,957	930	1,631
Feb	3,188	3,565	1,952	1,018	991
Mar	2,927	2,998	2,942	857	992
Apr	2,790	2,141	2,864	1,015	992
May	2,902	2,557	2,556	1,272	733
June	3,227	2,835	2,262	1,299	734
Jul	2,047	2,696	2,708	1,754	734
Aug	2,584	2,740	2,365	1,135	946
Sep	2,784	2,598	2,374	2,048	947
Oct	2,008	2,870	2,602	1,823	976
Nov	2,420	2,681	2,368	1,641	855
Dec	1,638	2,505	2,282	1,487	887
Total	31.470	33.251	29,232	16.279	11.418





# **Scope of Practice Questions**

Month	Total 2022	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018
Jan	98	67	90	62	143
Feb	76	110	78	62	81
Mar	146	92	90	133	81
Apr	115	104	74	138	81
May	97	105	95	139	82
June	96	120	96	115	83
Jul	86	119	96	66	83
Aug	120	55	60	104	96
Sep	143	112	78	89	96
Oct	113	134	51	111	85
Nov	98	119	61	101	52
Dec	101	98	63	80	35
Total	1,289	1,235	932	1,200	998

#### Intravenous Therapy/Blood Withdrawal Course Certification and CE Provider Applications

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Month	Total 2022	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018		
Jan	18	34	22	27	42		
Feb	18	39	18	10	30		
Mar	30	24	12	6	31		
Apr	62	8	10	9	31		
May	28	29	10	5	17		
June	16	18	27	5	18		
Jul	5	8	22	44	17		
Aug	49	21	19	8	32		
Sep	21	15	42	21	32		
Oct	26	30	55	12	26		
Nov	15	35	39	19	12		
Dec	22	1	40	25	4		
Total	310	262	316	191	292		

#### Psychiatric Technician Examination Development Session Preparation

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Month	Total 2022	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018			
Jan	2	0	10	20	5			
Feb	1	0	19	10	1			
Mar	0	0	1	8	0			
Apr	1	0	2	16	0			
May	0	1	2	0	1			
June	1	0	0	1	0			
Jul	0	0	0	9	1			
Aug	0	0	0	6	11			
Sep	36	2	0	6	11			
Oct	26	0	0	12	0			
Nov	13	0	0	0	0			
Dec	16	4	0	12	4			
Total	96	7	34	100	34			

# Intravenous Therapy/Blood Withdrawal Approved License Certifications Issued in Breeze

Certifications issued in breeze								
Month	Total 2022	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018			
Jan	248	269	353	362	244			
Feb	345	297	295	309	270			
Mar	449	313	375	274	530			
Apr	404	407	248	370	447			
May	221	576	155	254	370			
June	239	522	254	335	510			
Jul	259	334	368	519	353			
Aug	217	449	380	557	508			
Sep	195	298	434	185	617			
Oct	247	351	462	507	285			
Nov	312	273	313	306	325			
Dec	570	378	421	574	414			
Total	3,706	4,467	4,058	4,552	4,873			

<sup>\*</sup>Education Division team assumed responsibility for IV/BW certifications in March 2019