



## Executive Officer's Report

### 1. Board Member Update

- Vacant Positions – There are currently five vacant board member positions – two (2) LVNs and three (3) public members. Anyone interested in serving on the BVNPT should contact the Governor's Appointment Secretary.

### 2. Budget Update

- Governor's Proposed Budget – Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger released his proposed budget on January 8, 2010. The proposal included a 5% permanent wage reduction to all state employees, as well as a requirement that employees contribute an additional 5% into their pensions in order to reduce the burden to the general fund. In addition, State agencies were asked to find and maintain 5% salary savings for Fiscal Year 2010/11.

### 3. Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) Updates

- Professionals Achieving Consumer Trust (PACT) – The DCA will be holding another PACT Summit on July 26-30, 2010. The Board will hold its Disciplinary Hearings and Regular Board Meeting on July 28-29, 2010.
- DCA Updates
  - Paul Riches was appointed Deputy Director, Enforcement and Compliance, effective November 17, 2009.
  - Bill Young was appointed Chief Deputy Director of the DCA effective November 23, 2009.
  - Kimberly Kirchmeyer was appointed Deputy Director, Board and Bureau Relations, effective November 24, 2009.

### 4. Education Program Update

	VN Program	PT Program	Totals
#Accredited Programs	194	15	209
#Approved Programs	15	1	16
<b>Sub Total Programs:</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>225</b>
#Proposed Programs	99	8	107
<b>Total Accredited, Approved, Proposed Programs</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>332</b>

- Submission of New Proposals and School Materials for Nursing Education Consultant's Review – The Board asks for your cooperation when submitting new proposals and other materials to your consultant. Due to the 100% vacancy rate of consultant staff and the Governor's Executive Order S-13-09 of three furlough days per month, the Board cannot project the length of time to review new proposals. Please work with the supervising nursing education consultant. The Board thanks you for your cooperation and understanding.

## 5. Examination Update

- Examination Development – On January 26, 2010, the Board and the Office of Professional Examination Services (OPES) convened the 2010 Psychiatric Technician Item Development Conference. The overall purpose of the conference was the development of quality examination items consistent with the needs of the item bank and occupational analysis. The conference is the initial step in the development of the Psychiatric Technician Licensure Examination. Subject Matter Experts included psychiatric technicians and registered nurses employed in the education and practice arenas.
- Examination Statistics

<b>Current Fiscal Year to Date (7/1/09 to 9/28/09)</b>	<b>VN Program</b>	<b>PT Program</b>
Average Annual Pass Rate for <b>First-Time</b> Graduates	75%	83%
Overall Pass Rate	56%	64%
<b>Total # of First-Time Graduates Tested:</b>	<b>4,166</b>	<b>301</b>

## 6. Liaison Activities

- Western Career College Graduation – On October 3, 2009, John Vertido, Board President, was the commencement speaker at this graduation.
- California Vocational Nurse Educators Fall Conference – On October 16-17, 2009, John Vertido, Board President, was a keynote speaker and provided an update of the Board's Administrative, Licensing, Education and Enforcement Divisions.

## 7. Other Important Issues

- Customer Service Surveys – The BVNPT distributes a "Customer Service Survey" to solicit feedback regarding how the BVNPT is accomplishing its mission and goals. The information is used to develop the BVNPT's Strategic Plan and is included in the BVNPT's Sunset Review Reports. Please complete the survey form and leave it on the table at the back of the room. The BVNPT is very interested in obtaining any recommendations you can make regarding improving effectiveness.

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