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| DATE | January 26, 2026 |
| TO | Board Members |
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| PREPARED BY | Jessica Gomez MBA/HCM, MSN, RN, PHN Nursing Education Consultant (NEC) |
| SUBJECT | Request to Admit Students; Request for Approval of Curriculum Revision |
| PROGRAM | Pacific College, Costa Mesa, Vocational Nursing Program (Program) (Program Director: Denise Boren, Costa Mesa, Orange County, Private) |

Please note: Board Nursing Education Consultants make recommendations. The recommendations are forwarded to the Education and Practice Committee for review and recommendation or to the Executive Officer or full Board for action.

PROGRAM REQUEST:

Admit a class of 30 students to commence on March 2, 2026, with a graduation date of January 9, 2028. The class replaces the class that graduated on October 5, 2025.

A change in the curriculum from a part-time curriculum of 74 weeks to a revised part-time curriculum of 80 weeks, effective March 2, 2025. The proposed curriculum consists of 576 theory hours and 954 clinical hours totaling 1530 hours.

BACKGROUND:

On November 12, 2024, the Board rescinded the Program's pattern of admission.

On July 9, 2025, a new Program director was approved.

On August 15, 2025, the Program was placed on provisional approval for a two-year period. .

On November 18, 2025, the Board denied the Program's request to admit a class of students.

The Program decided to move ahead with the curriculum change to lower the total program hours to meet minimum hours required in regulation.

On September 23, 2024, the Program submitted initial documents requesting a curriculum revision.

On December 12, 2025, the Program submitted final documents requesting a curriculum revision. The changes are a result of a program analysis conducted by the Program Director. According to the Program Director, the current sequence and integration of courses have presented challenges, as some topics are not logically connected, hindering students' ability to build foundational knowledge in a progressive manner. By restructuring the curriculum, the flow of learning will be improved, making the content more logically sequenced and easier to understand. This will support better retention, increase comprehension, and enhance the overall learning experience.

The new curriculum will decrease the Program hours by 138 hours from 1668 hours to 1530 hours. No course content was removed from the curriculum.

The following major changes have been made to the curriculum for a total reduction of 138 total curriculum hours.

| Term | Hours Removed |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| One | Fundamentals -57.5 Theory |
| Two, Three, Four, and Five | Medical/Surgical- -90 Clinical |
| Two, Three, Four, and Five | Pharmacology -28.5 Theory |
| Four | Maternity -24 Clinical |
| Four | Pediatrics -24 Clinical |
| | Hours Added |
| One | Fundamentals + 34 clinical |
| Two, Three, Four, and Five | Psychology +22 theory |
| Two, Three, Four, and Five | Psychology +30 Clinical |

On December 15, 2025, the Program submitted the required documents requesting to admit a class of students.

Since the approval of the New Program Director, the program has been responsive to all BVNPT requests and submitted all required reports, and the Program has had no further complaints.

STAFF ANALYSIS:

The NEC reviewed and analyzed the documents provided by the Program Director to verify adequate resources including clinical facilities and classrooms to accommodate the students' learning needs and ability to meet the Program's approved objectives.

It was identified during the analysis of the submitted documents that the class that graduated on October 5, 2025, had only four of the initial 13 admitted students that graduated. According to the Program Director eight of the students failed term one.

On January 12, 2026, it was identified that the Program's quarter four NCLEX-PN® average annual pass rate is 60 percent 21 percentage points below the state. The program's pass rate has fallen from 93 to 60 percent over the last six quarters.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Deny the Program's request to admit a class of 30 students to commence on March 2, 2026, with a graduation date of January 9, 2028. The class replaces the class that graduated on October 5, 2025.
2. Approve a class of 20 students to commence on March 2, 2026, with a graduation date of January 9, 2028. The class will replace the class that graduated on October 5, 2025.
3. Approve the Program's request for a change in the curriculum from a part-time curriculum of 74 weeks to a revised part-time curriculum of 80 weeks, effective on to start with the requested class on March 2, 2026. The proposed curriculum consists of 576 theory hours and 954 clinical hours totaling 1530 hours.
4. Require the Program to comply with all requirements listed below

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

1. Require the Program to submit comprehensive analysis reports in: (1) one month, with a submission date no later than March 1, 2026, (2) in six months, no later than August 1, 2026, and (3) twelve months, no later than February 1, 2027. The reports must include a comprehensive analysis of the Program, timeline for implementation, and the effect of employed interventions. The following elements must be addressed in the analysis.
 - a. Terminal Objectives
 - b. Evaluation of Current Curriculum including:
 - 1- Instructional Plan
 - 2- Daily Lesson Plans for each Term
 - c. Student Policies including:
 - 1- Admission Criteria
 - 2- Screening and Selection Criteria
 - 3- Attendance Policy
 - 4- Remediation Policy
 - 5- Evaluation Methodology for Student Progress including evaluation of clinical practice
 - 6- Credit Granting Policy
 - d. Evaluations of approved clinical facilities which determine adequacy in number and variety of patients to accommodate current and projected student enrollment.
 - e. Faculty Meeting Methodology
 - f. Documentation of resources, including faculty and facilities, for all terms for all current cohorts.
2. Admit no additional classes without prior approval by the Board.

3. Require the Program, when requesting approval to admit students, to:
 - a. Submit all documentation in final form, using the forms provided by the BVNPT, no later than by the fifteenth day of the second month preceding the month of the Board meeting.
 - b. Provide documentation that adequate resources, i.e., faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students.
 - c. Ensure that the Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with the California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(l).
4. Require the Program to provide a maximum of ten students for each instructor. The California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2534(d) states: "for supervision of clinical experience, there shall be a maximum of 15 students for each instructor." Recommendation of one instructor for a maximum of ten students in clinical experiences will enable more focused instruction and enhanced learning to closely monitor and evaluate the clinical performance of students.
5. Notify the NEC in the event a current class is displaced from clinical sites.
6. Continue the Program's requirement to comply with all of the approval standards in Article 4 of the Vocational Nursing Practice Act, commencing with California Business and Professions Code, Section 2880, and in Article 5 of the California Code of Regulations, Title 16, commencing with Section 2525.
7. Require the Program to demonstrate incremental progress in NCLEX-PN® licensure examination pass rates, attendance policy and actively administering the program. If the Program fails to satisfactorily demonstrate incremental progress, the full Board may revoke the Program's approval.
8. Failure to take any of these corrective actions may cause the Board to revoke the Program's approval, as specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2526.1(e).
9. Any material changes in circumstances affecting any information contained in the documents submitted by the Program to the Board, require the Program to notify the NEC immediately, in writing, per California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2526(g).

RELEVANT PROGRAM ELEMENTS

Enrollment

California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(k) states:

The program shall have prior Board approval to increase the number of students per class and/or increase the frequency of admission of classes. Criteria to evaluate a school's request to increase the number of students per class and/or increase the frequency of class admissions include but are not limited to: (1) Sufficient program resources as specified in Section 2530(a). (2) Adequacy of clinical experience as specified in Section 2534. (3) Licensure examination pass rates as specified in Section 2530(l).

The Program is approved to offer a 74-week part-time evening class. BVNPT approval is required prior to the admission of each class.

The following table represents current student enrollment based on current class starts and completion dates. The table indicates a maximum enrollment of 57 students for the period March 2024 through March 2026.

ENROLLMENT DATA TABLE

| Class Start Dates | Class Completion Dates | Number of Students Admitted | Number of Students Current | Number of Graduated | Total Enrolled |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| 3/4/24 *(10/5/25) | | 13 | 4 | | 4 |
| 6/24/24 *(4/12/26) | | 12 | 9 | | 4 + 9 = 13 |
| 10/29/24 *(7/26/26) | | 15 | 18 | | 13 + 18 = 31 |
| | 11/16/25 (3/4/24) | | | -4 | 31 - 4 = 27 |
| 3/2/26 *(1/9/28) PROPOSED | | 30 | | | 27 + 30 = 57 |

*Indicates projected graduation date

Licensing Examination Statistics

California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(l) states:

The program shall maintain a yearly average minimum pass rate on the licensure examination that does not fall below 10 percentage points of the state average pass rate for first time candidates of approved vocational nursing schools for the same period.

The following statistics, furnished by Pearson Vue and published by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing as "Jurisdictional Summary of All First-Time Candidates Educated in Member Board Jurisdiction," for the period July 2023 through June 2024, specify the pass percentage rate for graduates of the Program on the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical/Vocational Nurses (NCLEX-PN®) and the variance from the state average annual pass rates.

NCLEX-PN® LICENSURE EXAMINATION DATA

| Quarterly Statistics | | | | | Annual Statistics | | |
|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--|
| Quarter | # Candidates in Quarter | # Passed in Quarter | % Passed in Quarter | State Quarterly Pass Rate | Program Average Annual Pass Rate | State Average Annual Pass Rate CCR §2530(l) | Variance from State Average Annual Pass Rate |
| Jan- Mar 2024 | 18 | 18 | 100% | 87% | 86% | 86% | 0 |
| Apr - Jun 2024 | 11 | 10 | 91% | 85% | 89% | 85% | +4 |
| Jul - Sep 2024 | 26 | 25 | 96% | 83% | 93% | 85% | +8 |
| Oct – Dec 2024 | 21 | 15 | 71% | 81% | 89% | 84% | +5 |
| Jan – Mar 2025 | 11 | 7 | 64% | 82% | 83% | 83% | 0 |
| Apr – Jun 2025 | 15 | 9 | 60% | 81% | 77% | 82% | -5 |
| Jul – Sept 2025 | 18 | 8 | 44% | 81% | 60% | 81% | -21 |
| Oct – Dec 2025 | 18 | 13 | 72% | 80% | 60% | 81% | -21 |

*The Annual Pass Rate changes every quarter. It is calculated by dividing the number of candidates who passed during the current and previous three quarters by the number of candidates who tested during the same period. If no data is available for the relevant period, the statistic is carried over from the last quarter for which data is available.

Based on the most current data available (September – December 2025), the Program's average annual pass rate is 60 percent. The California average annual pass rate for graduates from approved vocational nursing programs who took the NCLEX-PN® for the first time during the same period is 81 percent. The average annual pass rate for the Program is 21 percentage points below the state average annual pass rate.

Faculty and Facilities

California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2534(d) states:

For supervision of clinical experience, there shall be a maximum of 15 students for each instructor.

The current number of approved faculty totals 41, including the Program Director. The Program Director has 100 percent administrative duties. Of the total faculty, 39 are designated to teach clinical. The Program is required to provide a maximum of ten students for each instructor. Based upon a maximum proposed enrollment of 57 students, and the required 10 students to one instructor while on provisional approval, six instructors are required for clinical supervision. The utilization of faculty at clinical facilities is such that clinical instruction is covered adequately.

California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2534(b) states:

Schools shall have clinical facilities adequate as to number, type, and variety of patients treated, to provide clinical experience for all students in

the areas specified by Section 2533. There must be available for student assignment, an adequate daily census of patients to afford a variety of clinical experiences consistent with competency-based objectives and theory being taught. Clinical objectives which students are expected to master shall be posted on patient care units utilized for clinical experience.

Submitted documentation indicates the Program has sufficient clinical facilities to afford the number, type and variety of patients that will provide clinical experience consistent with Board-approved competency-based objectives and theory being taught for current student enrollment.

Other Considerations

On December 12, 2025, the Program Director submitted documentation requesting approval of a revised curriculum. No changes were made to the Program's philosophy, conceptual framework, or terminal objectives. Below is the current and proposed curriculum outline.

| Curriculum Content | Prior Curriculum Totals | Proposed Curriculum Totals |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| Anatomy & Physiology | 54 | 55.50 |
| Nutrition | 26 *(7) | 4.75 |
| Psychology | 24 *(1.5) | 22 |
| Growth & Development | 24 *(2) | 4.25 |
| Fundamentals of Nursing | 106 | 46.50 |
| Nursing Process | *(16.5) | 9.50 |
| Communication | *(13.75) | 7 |
| with pts with psych disorders | 6 *(6.25) | .75 |
| Patient Education | 2 *(17.5) | 26.25 |
| Pharmacology | 101 | 72.50 |
| Medical/Surgical Nursing | 217 | 215.25 |
| Communicable Disease | 6 *(6.25) | 6 |
| Gerontological Nursing | *(5.75) | 7 |
| Rehabilitation Nursing | 14 *(4.5) | .50 |
| Maternity Nursing | 16.5 | 35 |
| Pediatric Nursing | 21.5 *(21.5) | 29.25 |
| Leadership | 16 *(3.75) | 11.25 |
| Supervision | *(.75) | .25 |
| Ethics & Unethical Cond. | *(9) | 8.50 |
| Critical Thinking | *(10.25) | 8.50 |
| Culturally Congruent Care | 4 *(4) | 2 |
| End-of-Life Care | 8 *(2.5) | 3.50 |
| Total Theory Hours | 646 | 576 |

*Indicated incorporated hours

Breakout of Clinical Hours by Topic Area:

| Topic | Prior Curriculum Hours | Proposed Curriculum Hours |
|------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Fundamentals | 206 | 240 |
| Medical-Surgical | 670 | 580 |
| Pediatrics | 40 | 24 |
| Maternity | 50 | 24 |
| Leadership | 56 | 28 |
| Supervision | Integrated | 28 |
| Psychology | | 30 |
| Totals | 1022 | 954 |

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A: Program History

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PACIFIC COLLEGE, COSTA MESA, VOCATIONAL NURSING PROGRAM

Program History

- On June 26, 1998, the Board approved Pacific College's request to commence a vocational nursing program consisting of 578 theory hours and 964 clinical hours, with an initial class of 30 students on July 20, 1998, contingent upon the approval of adequate faculty and facilities by July 1, 1998. Due to problems with federal funding for students, the start date was delayed. The Program commenced January 11, 1999.
- On September 17, 1999, the Board accredited the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program, effective for the initial class commencing January 11, 1999, and approved admission of 30 students on December 22, 1999. (Note: Prerequisites for prospective students in the December class commenced on September 27, 1999, beginning with the Certified Nursing Assistant class.)
- On February 4, 2000, the Board approved the admission of 30 students on February 14, 2000. This class started prerequisite courses on February 28, 2000, and the vocational nursing program on May 8, 2000.
- On June 16, 2000, the Board approved the admission of 15 full-time students on August 28, 2000 (the class actually started on September 25, 2000), and 30 full-time students on December 11, 2000, only, contingent upon Board approval of an adequate number of clinical instructors and commencement of a part-time class of 15 students on September 19, 2000, only.

The Board requested that a follow-up report on student licensure examination performance be presented at the September 29, 2000, Board meeting. The report was to include an analysis of the causes of poor student performance on the licensure examination and identify goals, solutions, and timelines to improve examination pass rates. The Program Director was also asked to address reasons students delay taking the licensure examination following graduation. The deadline for the written report was July 25.

- On September 29, 2000, the Board accepted the follow-up report on student licensure examination performance. A follow-up report that included an analysis by the Program Director of student performance on the licensure examination, based on the Program Director's plan of correction was presented at the February 2001 Board meeting. The Board approved the Pacific College Vocational Nursing

Program's request to admit 15 full-time students and 15 part-time students on December 11, 2000.

- On February 2, 2001, the Board accepted the follow-up report on student licensure examination performance. The Board requested a follow-up report be presented at the September 7, 2001, Board meeting to include an analysis by the Program Director of student performance on the licensure examination based on her plan to improve pass rates. The report included, but was not limited to, the number of students who were taking the NCLEX-PN® review class offered by the Program and the results of the student evaluations of the Program and preparedness to take the exam.
- The Board denied the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program's request to admit 30 full-time students on April 9, 2001. The Board approved admission of 15 students to the full-time Program on April 9, 2001, only.
- On April 27, 2001, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in both the full-time and part-time Programs to commence June 4, 2001, only.
- On June 29, 2001, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in both the full-time and part-time Programs to commence August 6, 2001, only.
- On September 7, 2001, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full-time Program on October 8, 2001, only, to replace students who graduate on September 18, 2001, and the Board also approved the admission of 15 students in the part-time Program on October 9, 2001, only, to replace students who graduate on September 30, 2001.
- On November 16, 2001, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full-time Program on January 28, 2002, only, to replace students who graduated on January 20, 2002, and the Board also approved the admission of 15 students in the part-time Program on January 28, 2002, only to replace students who graduated on January 8, 2002.
- On February 28, 2002, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full-time Program and 15 students in the part – time Program on March 3, 2002, only.
- On April 12, 2002, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full-time and part-time Programs on May 20, 2002, only.
- On June 28, 2002, the Board approved continued full accreditation for the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program for a four-year period from April 12, 2002, to April 12, 2006, and issued a certificate, accordingly, and the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full-time Program starting July 29,

2002, only, to replace the class graduating July 17, 2002, and 15 students in the part-time Program starting July 30, 2002, only.

- On September 6, 2002, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full- time Program starting September 23, 2002, only, to replace the class graduating September 30, 2002, 15 students in the part-time track 1-A Program starting September 23, 2002, only, to replace the class graduating September 15, 2002, and 15 students in the part-time track 11-B Program starting September 24, 2002, only, to replace the class graduating September 19, 2002.
- On November 8, 2002, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full and part-time Programs starting November 18, 2002, only.
- On February 21, 2003, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full- time class starting February 24, 2003, only, to replace the class that graduated January 1, 2003 and the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the part-time track 1-C class starting February 25, 2003, only, to replace the class that graduated January 26, 2003 and the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full-time class starting March 10, 2003, only, to replace the class that will complete February 12, 2003 and the Board approved the admission of 15 students in an additional part-time track 1-1 class on March 10, 2003, only.
- On April 11, 2003, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full- time class starting May 19, 2003, only, to replace the class graduating April 25, 2003 and the Board approved the admission of 15 students in track 1-D class starting May 19, 2003, only, to replace the class that graduated May 11, 2003.
- On June 19, 2003, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full- time class starting July 21, 2003, only, to replace the class which graduated on July 11, 2003, and the Board approved the admission of 15 students in track 1-B on July 21, 2003, only, to replace the class that graduated June 8, 2003.
- On September 19, 2003, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full- time class starting September 22, 2003, only, to replace the class that graduated September 5, 2003; and the Board approved the Program's request to admit a part-time class of 15 students in track 1-E on September 23, 2003, only, to replace the class that graduated September 7, 2003.

- On October 14, 2003, the Board sent a letter to the Program indicating that its average annual licensure examination pass rates for the past four consecutive quarters were more than 10 percentage points below the state average annual pass rate. Thus, the Program is not in compliance with California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(l). Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program was asked to submit a written plan for improving the Program's NCLEX-PN® pass rates. The plan is to be submitted by November 14, 2003.
- On November 19, 2003, the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full-time Program starting November 24, 2003, only, to replace the class that graduated October 24, 2003 and the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the part-time track 1-F Program starting November 25, 2003, only, to replace the class that graduated November 14, 2003 and the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the full-time Program starting January 19, 2004, only, to replace the class that graduated December 19, 2003 and the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the part-time track 1-G Program starting January 19, 2004, only, to replace the class graduating January 11, 2004 and the Board approved the admission of 15 students in the part-time track 1-J Program starting January 20, 2004, only, to replace the class which graduated January 11, 2004.
- On January 12, 2004, a change in Program Directors took place and the new Program Director and administrator attended the *New Director Orientation* on January 21, 2004.
- On February 20, 2004, the Board approved the admission of 15 students into the full-time Program starting on March 22, 2004, only, to replace students that graduated on February 20, 2004 and approved the admission of 15 students into the part-time track 1-A Program starting March 22, 2004, only, to replace the students graduated on March 14, 2004 and approved the admission of 15 students into the full-time Program starting on May 17, 2004, only, to replace the students that graduated on April 30, 2004 and approved the admission of 15 students into the part-time track 1-H Program starting May 18, 2004, only, to replace the students that graduated on May 9, 2004.
- On May 14, 2004, the Board approved the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program's request to admit 15 students in the part-time track 1-C Program starting July 6, 2004, to replace the class that graduates June 27, 2004 and approved the school's request to admit 15 students in the full-time Program starting August 2, 2004, to replace the class that graduates July 9, 2004 and approved the school's request to admit 15 students in the part-time track 1-I Program starting September 13, 2004, to replace the class graduating September 5, 2004 and approved a pattern of admissions to replace graduating classes, only, for the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program with the stipulation that no additional classes are to be added to the Program's current pattern of admission without prior Board

approval. The Program's current pattern of admission includes 6 full-time classes and 6 part-time classes, each, admitting 15 students to each class.

- On February 3, 2006, the Board approved the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program's request to increase class size from 15 to 30 students per class starting February 21, 2006.
- On April 18, 2007, a new Program Director was approved.
- On May 12, 2006, the Board approved continued full accreditation for the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program for a four-year period from May 12, 2006, to May 11, 2010, and issued a certificate accordingly.
- On October 20, 2009, the Executive Officer approved the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program's request to change the pattern of admission for its full-time Program to four classes of 30 students per year, effective January 2010 and approved the Program's request to change the pattern of admission for its part-time Program to twelve classes of 30 students per year, effective October 20, 2009.
- On September 1, 2010, the Program submitted the Program Records Survey and related documents.
- On October 14, 2010, the Board approved continued full accreditation for the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program for the period May 12, 2010, through May 11, 2014, and issued a certificate accordingly and continued the Program's approval for a pattern of admission, which to replace graduating students, only, with the following stipulations:
 - No additional classes are added to the Program's approved pattern of admission without prior Board approval. The Program's approved pattern of admission includes four full-time classes of 30 students and twelve part-time classes of 30 students per year.
 - The Program Director documents that adequate resources, i.e., faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students.
- On July 18, 2014, the Executive Officer continued full approval for the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program for the period May 11, 2014, through May 10, 2018, and issued a certificate accordingly. Additionally, approval of the Program's pattern of admission, to replace graduating students, only, with the following stipulations was continued:
 - a. No additional classes are added to the Program's approved pattern of admissions without prior Board approval. The Program's approved pattern of admission includes four full-time classes of 30 students and twelve (part-time classes of 30 students only.

- b. Prior to admission, the Program Director submits documentation per email or letter that adequate resources, including faculty, clinical facilities, and other resources as specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(a) are available to support each admitted class of students.
 - c. The Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(l).
- On December 9, 2015, the AEO, SNEC, and assigned NEC met with Brian Chilstrom, Vice President of Instruction, to discuss proposed Program modifications.
- On December 15, 2015, the Board received documentation from BPPE certifying Program approval.
- On December 18, 2015, the Acting Executive Officer rendered the following decisions:
 - a. Required Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program to have a Program Director who meets requirements specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2529(c) by January 15, 2016.
 - b. Denied the Program's request to increase the number and frequency of student admissions per full-time class from four classes of 30 students to twelve classes of 60 students
 - c. Approved the Program's admission of twelve full-time classes of 45 students annually effective February 1, 2016, contingent upon submission of the following, prior to admission:
 - 1) Approval of adequate faculty for the proposed enrollment who meet requirements specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2529.
 - 2) Documentation verifying sufficient resources, staff, physical space, equipment, and materials as specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(a).
 - 3) Approval of clinical facilities sufficient to afford the number type and variety of patients that will provide clinical experiences consistent with competency-based objectives and theory, for the proposed student enrollment, as specified in California Code of Regulations, Title, Section 2534(b).
 - 4) The Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(l).
 - d. Denied the Program's request to increase the number and frequency of student admissions per part-time class from 12 classes of 30 students to 18 classes of 60 students.
 - e. Approved the Program's admission of 18 part-time classes of 45 students annually contingent upon submission of the following, prior to admission:
 - 1) Approval of adequate faculty for the proposed enrollment who meet requirements specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2529.

- 2) Documentation verifying sufficient resources, staff, physical space, equipment and materials as specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(a).
 - 3) Approval of clinical facilities sufficient to afford the number type and variety of patients that will provide clinical experiences consistent with competency-based objectives and theory, for the proposed student enrollment, as specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2534(b).
 - 4) The Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(l).
- f. Approved the Program's admission of one full-time class of 45 students to be held at the Chino Hills School District, effective April 1, 2016, contingent upon the Program Director's submission of the following, prior to admission:
- 1) Approval of adequate faculty for the proposed enrollment who meet requirements specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2529.
 - 2) Documentation verifying sufficient resources, staff, physical space, equipment, and materials as specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(a).
 - 3) Approval of clinical facilities sufficient to afford the number type and variety of patients that will provide clinical experiences consistent with competency-based objectives and theory, for the proposed student enrollment, as specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2534(b).
 - 4) Submission of documentation verifying BPPE approval.

Rationale: The Program is currently compliant with all sections of Article 5 of the California Code of Regulations, Title 16. However, at this time the Program does not have adequate faculty and facilities to offer the proposed classes. The Program has retained RN Faculty Recruiters that will ensure adequate Nurse Instructor levels and will hire a Registered Nurse who has extensive experience in successfully expanding existing and new student capacity at clinical training sites. The Program agrees to provide the Board with applications for faculty and facilities adequate for the proposed enrollment prior to admitting a class.

The Program is in the process of obtaining BPPE approval for the part time and full-time classes at Chino Valley Unified and is aware that BPPE approval is required prior to admitting students at any additional sites.

Board records furnished by Pearson VUE and published by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing, substantiate that the Program has remained compliant with California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(l) with 85.71 percent of the previous 14 consecutive quarters. Based on the most current data available (July - Sept 2015), the Program's average annual pass rate is 82 percent, ten percentage points above the state average annual pass rate.

Board staff will continue to monitor the Program's effectiveness by tracking class admissions, the effectiveness of employed interventions, and the Program's licensure examination pass rates each quarter.

- On May 31, 2016, a new Program Director was approved.
- On December 14, 2016, a new Program Director was approved.
- On January 27, 2017, the Executive Officer approved the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program's request to admit a part-time class of 45 students to the Pacific College, Citadel Campus, commencing on January 30, 2017, graduating on December 23, 2018, to replace the class that graduated on September, 24, 2016, and continued to require the Program to admit no additional classes without prior approval by the Board, and required the Program, when requesting approval to admit students, to: (a) submit all documentation in final form, and using the forms provided by the Board, no later than two months prior to the requested start date for the class, (b) provide documentation that adequate resources, i.e. faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students, (c) the Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(l) and continued to require the Program to comply with all approval standards in Article 4 of the Vocational Nursing Practice Act commencing at Business and Professions Code Section 2880, and Article 5 of the Board's Regulations, commencing at California Code of Regulations, Title 16, commencing with Section 2525.
- On March 24, 2017, the Executive Officer approved the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program's request to admit a part-time class of 45 students to the Pacific College, Costa Mesa Campus, commencing on April 24, 2017, graduating on March 9, 2019, to replace the class that graduated on February 18, 2017 and approved a part-time class of 45 students to the Pacific College, Ontario Campus, commencing on May 16, 2017, graduating on April 14, 2019, to replace the class that graduated on September 25, 2016 and (a) continued to require the Program to admit no additional classes without prior approval by the Board and continued to require the Program, when requesting approval to admit students, to: (a) submit all documentation in final form, and using the forms provided by the Board, no later than two months prior to the requested start date for the class, (b) provide documentation that adequate resources, i.e. faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students, (c) the Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(l) and, continue to require the Program to comply with all approval standards in Article 4 of the Vocational Nursing Practice Act, commencing at Business and Professions Code Section 2880, and Article 5 of the Board's Regulations, commencing at California Code of Regulations, Title 16, commencing at Section 2525.

- On June 30, 2017, the Executive Officer approved the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program's request to admit a part-time class of 45 students at the Ontario campus, commencing on September 19, 2017, graduating on August 11, 2019, to replace the class that graduates on June 17, 2017 and denied the Program's request to admit a part-time class of 45 students at the Costa Mesa campus, commencing on October 3, 2017, graduating on August 25, 2019, to replace the class that graduated on May 5, 2017 and denied the Program's request to admit a part-time class of 45 students at the Citadel campus, commencing on October 24, 2017, graduating on August 11, 2019, to replace the class that graduated on March 1, 2017 and continued to require the Program to admit no additional classes without prior approval by the Board and continued to require the Program, when requesting approval to admit students, to: (a) submit all documentation in final form, using the forms provided by the Board, no later than two months prior to the requested start date for the class and (b) provide documentation that adequate resources, i.e., faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students and continued to require the Program to comply with all approval standards in Article 4 of the Vocational Nursing Practice Act, commencing at Business and Professions Code Section 2880, and Article 5 of the Board's Regulations, California Code of Regulations, Title 16, commencing at Section 2525.
- On September 20, 2017, the Executive Officer approved the Program's request to admit a part-time class of 45 students at the Costa Mesa campus, commencing on October 24, 2017, graduating on September 15, 2019, to replace the class that graduated on May 5, 2017 and denied the Program's request to admit a part-time class of 45 students at the Citadel campus, commencing on October 24, 2017, graduating on August 11, 2019, to replace the class that graduated on March 1, 2017 and continued to require the Program to admit no additional classes without prior approval by the Board and continued to require the Program, when requesting approval to admit students, to: (a) Submit all documentation in final form, using the forms provided by the Board, no later than two months prior to the requested start date for the class (b) Provide documentation that adequate resources, i.e., faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students. (c) Ensure that the Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(I) and continued to require the Program to comply with all approval standards in Article 4 of the Vocational Nursing Practice Act, commencing at Business and Professions Code Section 2880, and Article 5 of the Board's Regulations, commencing at California Code of Regulations, Title 16, commencing at Section 2525.
- On December 29, 2017, the Executive Officer approved the Program's request to admit a part-time class of 45 students, to be held at the Costa Mesa campus, commencing on January 23, 2018, graduating on January 19, 2020, to replace the class that graduated on May 5, 2017 and approved the Program's request to admit a part-time class of 45 students, to be held at the Ontario campus, commencing on February 26, 2018, graduating on May 16, 2020 and approved the Program's request to admit a part-time class of 45 students, to be held at the Citadel campus,

commencing on March 26, 2018, graduating on June 6, 2020, to replace the class that graduated on May 20, 2017 and continued to require the Program to admit no additional classes without prior approval by the Board. Continued to require the Program, when requesting approval to admit students, to: (a) Submit all documentation in final form, using the forms provided by the Board, no later than two months prior to the requested start date for the class. (b) Provide documentation that adequate resources, i.e., faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students. (c) Ensure that the Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530 (I) and continued to require the Program to comply with all approval standards in Article 4 of the Vocational Nursing Practice Act, commencing at Business and Professions Code Section 2880, and Article 5 of the Board's Regulations, commencing at California Code of Regulations, Title 16, commencing at Section 2525.

- On April 26, 2018, the Executive Officer approved the following:
 1. Continued full approval for the Pacific College Vocational Nursing Program for the period of May 11, 2018, through May 10, 2022, and issued a certificate accordingly.
 2. Approved the Program's request for a pattern of admission with the following stipulations:
 - a. No additional classes are added to the Program's pattern of admission without prior Board approval. The Program's pattern of admission will include admission of eight part-time classes per calendar year with 45 students in each class.
 - b. The Program Director documents that adequate resources, i.e., faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students.
 3. The Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with of the California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(I).
- On May 17, 2022, the Executive Officer rendered the following decision:
 1. Granted continued full approval for the Pacific College, Costa Mesa, Vocational Nursing Program for a four-year period beginning May 10, 2022, and issued a certificate accordingly.
 2. Required the Program to comply with all requirements listed below.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

1. Required the Program to correct the violation identified by May 22, 2022.
2. Notify the NEC in the event a current class is displaced from clinical sites.
3. No additional classes may be added to the Program's pattern of admission without prior BVNPT approval. The Program's approved pattern of admission is five part time cohorts of 45 students per calendar year, replacing graduating classes only.

4. Document that adequate resources, i.e., faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students.
 5. Maintain an average annual NCLEX-PN pass rate that is compliant with California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(l).
 6. Comply with all approval standards in Article 4 of the Vocational Nursing Practice Act, commencing at California Business and Professions Code Section 2880, and Article 5 of the California Code of Regulations, Title 16, commencing with Section 2525.
 7. Board staff will continue to monitor the Program's effectiveness by tracking class admissions, the effectiveness of employed interventions, and the Program's licensure examination pass rates each quarter.
- On November 22, 2024, the Full Board rendered the following decision:
 1. Rescinded the pattern of admission for Pacific College, Costa Mesa, Vocational Nursing Program effective November 22, 2024.
 2. Required the Program to comply with all requirements listed below.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

1. Required the Program to correct all identified deficiencies by January 13, 2025.
 2. Close the Pacific College, Ontario satellite campus and apply as an affiliate campus by December 1, 2024.
 3. Admit no additional classes without prior approval by the Board.
 4. Required the Program, when requesting approval to admit students, to:
 - a. Submit all documentation in final form, using the forms provided by the BVNPT, no later than two months prior to the requested start date for the class.
 - b. Provide complete and accurate documentation that adequate resources, i.e., faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students.
 - c. Ensure that the Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with the California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(l).
 5. Notify the NEC in the event a current class is displaced from clinical sites.
 6. Continued the Program's requirement to comply with all the approval standards in Article 4 of the Vocational Nursing Practice Act, commencing with California Business and Professions Code, Section 2880, and in Article 5 of the California Code of Regulations, Title 16, commencing with Section 2525.
 7. Board staff will continue to monitor the Program's effectiveness by tracking class admissions, the effectiveness of employed interventions, and the Program's licensure examination pass rates each quarter.
- On August 15, 2025, the Board rendered the following decisions:
 1. Place the Pacific College Costa Mesa Vocational Nursing Program on provisional approval for a two-year period beginning August 15, 2025.

2. Require the Program to comply with all requirements listed below

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

1. Required the Program to submit comprehensive analysis reports in: (1) seven months, with a submission date no later than March 1, 2026, (2) in twelve months, no later than August 1, 2026, and (3) eighteen months, no later than February 1, 2027. The reports must include a comprehensive analysis of the Program, timeline for implementation, and the effect of employed interventions. The following elements must be addressed in the analysis.
 - a. Terminal Objectives
 - b. Evaluation of Current Curriculum including:
 - 1- Instructional Plan
 - 2- Daily Lesson Plans for each Term\
 - c. Student Policies including:
 - 1- Admission Criteria
 - 2- Screening and Selection Criteria
 - 3- Attendance Policy
 - 4- Remediation Policy
 - 5- Evaluation Methodology for Student Progress including evaluation of clinical practice
 - 6- Credit Granting Policy
 - d. Evaluations of approved clinical facilities which determine adequacy in number and variety of patients to accommodate current and projected student enrollment.
 - e. Faculty Meeting Methodology
 - f. Documentation of resources, including faculty and facilities, for all terms for all current cohorts.
2. Required the Program to admit no additional classes without prior approval by the Board.
3. Required the Program, when requesting approval to admit students, to:
 - a. Submit all documentation in final form, using the forms provided by the BVNPT, no later than by the fifteenth day of the second month preceding the month of the Board meeting.
 - b. Provide documentation that adequate resources, i.e., faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students.
 - c. Ensure that the Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with the California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(l).
4. Required the Program to provide a maximum of ten students for each instructor. The California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2534(d) states: “for supervision of clinical experience, there shall be a maximum of 15 students for

each instructor.” Recommendation of one instructor for a maximum of ten students in clinical experiences will enable more focused instruction and enhanced learning to closely monitor and evaluate the clinical performance of students.

5. Required the Program Director to notify the NEC in the event a current class is displaced from clinical sites.
 6. Continued the Program’s requirement to comply with all of the approval standards in Article 4 of the Vocational Nursing Practice Act, commencing with California Business and Professions Code, Section 2880, and in Article 5 of the California Code of Regulations, Title 16, commencing with Section 2525.
 7. Required the Program to demonstrate incremental progress in NCLEX-PN® licensure examination pass rates, attendance policy and actively administering the program. If the Program fails to satisfactorily demonstrate incremental progress, the full Board may revoke the Program’s approval.
 8. Failure to take any of these corrective actions may cause the Board to revoke the Program’s approval, as specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2526.1(e).
 9. Any material changes in circumstances affecting any information contained in the documents submitted by the Program to the Board, require the Program to notify the NEC immediately, in writing, per California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2526(g).
- On November 18, 2025, the Board rendered the following decisions:
 1. Denied the Program’s request to admit a class of 30 students to commence on December 29, 2025, with a graduation date of October 24, 2027. The class will replace the class graduating on October 5, 2025.
 2. Required the Program to comply with all requirements listed below

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

- 1- Required the Program to submit comprehensive analysis reports in: (1) seven months, with a submission date no later than March 1, 2026, (2) in twelve months, no later than August 1, 2026, and (3) eighteen months, no later than February 1, 2027. The reports must include a comprehensive analysis of the Program, timeline for implementation, and the effect of employed interventions. The following elements must be addressed in the analysis.
 - a. Terminal Objectives
 - b. Evaluation of Current Curriculum including.
 1. Instructional Plan
 2. Daily Lesson Plans for each Term

- c. Student Policies including:
 - 1. Admission Criteria
 - 2. Screening and Selection Criteria
 - 3. Attendance Policy
 - 4. Remediation Policy
 - 5. Evaluation Methodology for Student Progress including evaluation of clinical practice
 - 6. Credit Granting Policy
 - d. Evaluations of approved clinical facilities which determine adequacy in number and variety of patients to accommodate current and projected student enrollment.
 - e. Faculty Meeting Methodology.
 - f. Documentation of resources, including faculty and facilities, for all terms for all current cohorts.
- 2- Required the Program to admit no additional classes without prior approval by the Board.
 - 3- Required the Program, when requesting approval to admit students, to:
 - a. Submit all documentation in final form, using the forms provided by the BVNPT, no later than by the fifteenth day of the second month preceding the month of the Board meeting.
 - b. Provide documentation that adequate resources, i.e., faculty and facilities, are available to support each admitted class of students.
 - c. Ensure that the Program maintains an average annual pass rate that is compliant with the California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2530(l).
 - 4- Require the Program to provide a maximum of ten students for each instructor. The California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2534(d) states: “for supervision of clinical experience, there shall be a maximum of 15 students for each instructor.” Recommendation of one instructor for a maximum of ten students in clinical experiences will enable more focused instruction and enhanced learning to closely monitor and evaluate the clinical performance of students.
 - 5- Required the Program Director to notify the NEC in the event a current class is displaced from clinical sites.
 - 6- Continued the Program’s requirement to comply with all of the approval standards in Article 4 of the Vocational Nursing Practice Act, commencing with California Business and Professions Code, Section 2880, and in Article 5 of the California Code of Regulations, Title 16, commencing with Section 2525.
 - 7- Required the Program to demonstrate incremental progress in NCLEX-PN® licensure examination pass rates, attendance policy and actively administering

the program. If the Program fails to satisfactorily demonstrate incremental progress, the full Board may revoke the Program's approval.

- 8- Failure to take any of these corrective actions may cause the Board to revoke the Program's approval, as specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2526.1(e).
- 9- Any material changes in circumstances affecting any information contained in the documents submitted by the Program to the Board, require the Program to notify the NEC immediately, in writing, per California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 2526(g).