The Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing, as an administrative agency of state government, protects the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the Commonwealth through the regulation of nursing practice and education. General Law Chapter 112, section 81A, authorizes the Board to establish regulations (i.e. standards) for the approval of nursing education programs that prepare graduates for initial nurse licensure. The Board also monitors each approved program’s compliance with the established standards to ensure that program graduates are prepared to practice nursing safely. The Board’s regulations for the approval of nursing education programs can be found at 244 CMR 6.00: Approval of Nursing Education Programs and the General Conduct Thereof.

Approval of a nursing education program is a public action, which signifies regulatory compliance. It is the legal recognition by the Board that a nursing education program is approved to operate. Nursing education programs receive one of the following approval designations based on their ability to demonstrate compliance with 244 CMR 6.00.

* **Prerequisite Approval:** a parent institution has provided satisfactory evidence of its *potential* ability to establish a nursing education program complying with the Board’s regulations at 244 CMR 6.00.
* **Initial Approval:** a parent institution has provided satisfactory evidence of its ability to achieve compliance with the Board’s regulations at 244 CMR 6.00. It is the prerequisite for the admission of students and remains in effect through the Board’s determination of the program’s ability to achieve Full approval status.
* **Full Approval:** a parent institution has provided satisfactory evidence of the program’s continuous compliance with the Board’s regulations at 244 CMR 6.00.
* **Approval with Warning:** issued to a parent institution to signify that the program has not satisfactorily demonstrated *ongoing* compliance with the Board’s regulations at 244 CMR 6.00. Programs must correct the regulatory deficiencies identified by the Board within 12 months, **unless otherwise directed**. Graduates of programs designated the Approval with Warning status are eligible to write the National Council Licensure Examination.
* **Withdrawal of Approval:** a program is notified in writing of its failure to comply with 244 CRM 6.00, having been provided an opportunity to correct deficiencies and an onsite visit was conducted. Enrolled student and program applicants are notified that they shall not be eligible as graduates of the program to write the National Council Licensure Exam (NCLEX ©).

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**The following list identifies the approval status of Board approved nursing educations programs as of June 12, 2024**

* + **Prerequisite Approval Status**
		- Middlesex Community College Practical Nursing Program, effective July 12, 2023
	+ **Initial Approval Status:**
		- Bay Path University Associate Degree Nursing Program, effective March 12, 2025
		- Bay Path University Direct Entry Master’s Degree Nursing Program, effective March 12, 2025
		- Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts Baccalaureate Degree Registered Nurse Program, effective March 28, 2023
		- Roxbury Community College, Associate Degree Registered Nurse Program, effective October 14, 2020
		- Wheaton College Baccalaureate Degree Registered Nurse Program, effective April 13, 2022
		- Simmons University Master’s Entry into Professional Nursing Program, effective March 13, 2024
	+ **Approval with Warning Status:**
		- Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical Practice Nurse Academy, effective June 11, 2025
		- Greenfield Community College Associates Degree Nurse Program, effective January 8, 2025
		- Salem State University Baccalaureate Degree Nurse Program, effective January 8, 2025
		- Greater Lowell Technical Practical Nurse Program, effective June 11, 2025
		- Worcester State University Baccalaureate Degree Nurse Program, effective June 11, 2025
	+ **Full Approval Status:** All other programs
	+ **Withdrawal of Approval: since 2010**
		- Atlantic Union College, Associate Degree Registered Nurse Program, effective July 31, 2011
		- Medical Professional Institute, Practical Nursing Program, effective August 18, 2016
		- Quincy College, Practical Nursing Program, Quincy, MA, effective May 9, 2018
		- Quincy College, Associate Degree Registered Nurse Program, Quincy, MA, effective May 9, 2018
		- Roxbury Community College, Practical Nurse Program, effective June 12, 2019
		- Roxbury Community College, Associate Degree Registered Nurse Program, effective June 12, 2019
	+ **Closed Program: Since 2017**
		- Bay State College, Associate Degree Registered Nurse Program, effective August 31, 2023
		- Becker College, Baccalaureate Degree Registered Nurse Program, effective June 30, 2021
		- Becker College, Associate Degree Registered Nurse Program, effective June 30, 2021
		- Blue Hills Regional Technical School, Practical Degree Nurse Program, effective March 13, 2024
		- Bunker Hill, Practical Nursing Program, effective July 31, 2017
		- Mildred Elley Practical Nursing Program, effective June 1, 2025

**Practical Nursing Programs – Full Approval Status**

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|  | **Program Name** | **Address** | **Phone** |
| 1 | Assabet Valley Regional Technical School | 215 Fitchburg Street, Marlboro, MA 01752 | 508-485-9430 |
| 2 | Berkshire Community College | 1350 West Street, Pittsfield , MA 01201 | 413-499-4660 |
| 3 | Blackstone Valley Regional Voc Tech School | 65 Pleasant Street, Upton, MA 01568 | 508-529-7758 |
| 4 | Bristol-Plymouth Regional Technical School | 940 County Street, Taunton, MA 02780 | 508-823-5151 |
| 5 | Diman Regional School of Practical Nursing | 251 Stonehaven Road, Fall River, MA 02723 | 508-678-2891 |
| 6 | Greenfield Community College | 1 College Drive, Greenfield, MA 01301 | 413-775-1759 |
| 7 | Holyoke Community College | 303 Homestead Avenue Holyoke, MA 01040 | 413-552-2458 |
| 8 | Massachusetts Bay Community College | 490 Franklin Street | 508-270-4020 |
| 9 | McCann Technical School | 70 Hodges Cross Road, North Adams, MA 01247 | 413-663-5383 |
| 10 | Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School | 1050 Westminster Street, Fitchburg, MA 01420 | 978-345-9200 |
| 11 | Mount Wachusett Community College | 444 Green Street, Gardner, MA 01440 | 978-632-6600 |
| 12 | North Shore Community College | 1 Ferncroft Road, Danvers, MA 01923 | 978-762-4000 |
| 13 | Northern Essex Community College | 414 Common Street, Lawrence, MA 01840 | 978-738-7447 |
|  14 | Quincy College  | 1250 Hancock Street, Quincy, MA 02169 | 617-405-5931 |
| 15 | Quinsigamond Community College | 670 West Boylston Street, Worcester, MA 01606 | 508-854-4262 |
| 16 | Shawsheen Valley School of Practical Nursing | 100 Cook Street, Billerica, MA 01821 | 978-671-3646 |
| 17 | Southeastern Regional Vocational Technical School | 250 Foundry Street, South Easton, MA 02375 | 508-238-1860 |
| 18 | Tri-County Regional Technical High School | 147 Pond Street, Franklin, MA 02038 | 508-528-5400 |
| 19 | Upper Cape Cod Regional Technical School | 220 Sandwich Road, Bourne, MA 02532 | 508-759-7711 |

**Practical Nursing Programs – Approval with Warning Status**

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|  | **Program Name** | **Address** | **Phone** |
| 1 | Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical School | 57 Old Muggett Hill Road, Charlton, MA 01507 | 508-248-5971 |
| 2 | Greater Lowell Technical School of Practical Nursing  | 250 Pawtucket Boulevard. Tyngsboro, MA 01879 | 978-454-4870 |

**Practical Nursing Programs – Prerequisite Approval Status**

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|  | **Program Name** | **Address** | **Phone** |
| 1 | Middlesex Community College | 33 Kearney Square Lowell, MA 01852 | 978-656-3280 |

**Associate Degree Nursing Programs – Full Approval Status**

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|  | **Program Name** | **Address** | **Phone** |
| 1 | Berkshire Community College | 1350 West Street, Pittsfield, MA 01201 | 413-499-4660 |
| 2 | Bristol Community College | 777 Elsbree Street, Fall River, MA 02720 | 508-678-2811 |
| 3 | Bunker Hill Community College | 250 New Rutherford Ave, Charlestown, MA 02129 | 617-228-2000 |
| 4 | Cape Cod Community College | 2240 Lyannough Road, West Barnstable, MA 02668 | 508-362-2131 |
| 5 | Holyoke Community College | 303 Homestead Avenue, Holyoke, MA 01040 | 413-552-2458 |
| 6 | Labouré College of Healthcare | 303 Adams Street, Milton, MA 02186 | 617-322-3500 |
| 7 | Lawrence Memorial/Regis College Nursing Program | 170 Governors Avenue, Medford, MA 02155 | 781-306-6600 |
| 8 | Massachusetts Bay Community College | 490 Franklin Street | 508-270-4020 |
|  9 | Massasoit Community College | 1 Massasoit Boulevard, Brockton, MA 02302 | 508-588-9100 |
| 10 | Middlesex Community College | 33 Kearney Square, Lowell, MA 01852 | 978-656-3046 |
| 11 | Mount Wachusett Community College | 444 Green Street, Gardner, MA 01440 | 978-632-6600 |
| 12 | North Shore Community College | 1 Ferncroft Road, Danvers, MA 01923 | 978-762-4022 |
| 13 | Northern Essex Community College | 414 Common Street, Lawrence, MA 01840 | 978-738-7447 |
| 14 | Quincy College  | 1250 Hancock Street, Quincy, MA 02169 | 617-405-5931 |
| 15 | Quinsigamond Community College | 670 W. Boylston Street, Worcester, MA 01606 | 508-854-4262 |
| 16 | Springfield Technical Community College | 1 Armory Square, Springfield, MA 01105 | 413-755-4367 |

**Associate Degree Nursing Programs – Initial Approval Status**

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|  | **Program Name** | **Address** | **Phone** |
| 1 | Roxbury Community College | 1234 Columbus Avenue, Roxbury, MA 02141 | 617-427-0060 |

**Associate Degree Nursing Programs – Prerequisite Approval Status**

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|  | **Program Name** | **Address** | **Phone** |
| 1 | Bay Path University | 588 Longmeadow Street, Longmeadow, MA 01106 | 800-782-7284 |

**Associate Degree Nursing Programs – Approval With Warning Status**

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|  | **Program Name** | **Address** | **Phone** |
| 1 | Greenfield Community College | One College Drive, Greenfield, MA 01301 | 413-775-1759 |

**Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Programs – Full Approval Status**

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|  | **Program Name** | **Address** | **Phone** |
| 1 | American International College | 1000 State Street, Springfield, MA 01109 | 413-205-3519 |
| 2 | Anna Maria College | 50 Sunset Lane, Paxton, MA 01612 | 508-849-3300 |
| 3 | Assumption University  | 500 Salisbury Street, Worcester, MA 01609  | 508-767-7000 |
| 4 | Boston College William F. Connell School of Nursing | 140 Commonwealth Ave., Chestnut Hill, MA 02467 | 617-552-4250 |
| 5 | College of Our Lady of the Elms | 291 Springfield Street, Chicopee, MA 01013 | 413-594-2761 |
| 6 | Curry College | 1071 Blue Hill Avenue, Milton, MA 02186 | 617-333-2280 |
| 7 | Emmanuel College | 400 The Fenway, Boston, MA 02115 | 617-264-7606 |
| 8 | Endicott College | 376 Hale Street, Beverly, MA 01915 | 978-232-2328 |
| 9 | Fitchburg State University | 160 Pearl Street, Fitchburg, MA 01420 | 978-665-3221 |
| 10 | MCPHS-Boston | 179 Longwood Avenue, Boston, MA 02115 | 617-732-2800 |
| 11 | MCPHS-Worcester | 19 Foster Street, Worcester, MA 01608 | 508-373-5680 |
| 12 | Merrimack College  | 315 Turnpike Street, North Andover, MA 01845 | 978-837-5000 |
| 13 | MGH Institute of Health Professions | 36 1st Ave. Charlestown Navy Yard, Boston, MA02129 | 617-724-0480 |
| 14 | Northeastern University | 360 Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA 02115 | 617-373-3649 |
| 15 | Regis College | 235 Wellesley Street, Weston, MA 02493 | 781-768-7090 |
| 16 | Simmons University | 300 The Fenway, Boston, MA 02115 | 617-521-2531 |
| 17 | University of Mass Amherst Elaine Marieb College of Nursing | 651 North Pleasant Street, Amherst, MA 01003 | 413-545-2703 |
| 18 | University of Mass Boston Robert and Donna Manning College of Nursing and Health Sciences | 100 Morrissey Blvd, Boston, MA 02125 | 617-287-7500 |
| 19 | University of Mass/Dartmouth | 285 Old Westport Road, N. Dartmouth, MA 02747 | 508-999-8586 |
| 20 | University of Mass/Lowell | 3 Solomont Way, Lowell, MA 01854 | 978-934-4467 |
| 21 | Westfield State University | 577 Western Avenue, Westfield, MA 01086 | 413-572-5300 |

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|  | **Program Name** | **Address** | **Phone** |
| 1 | Salem State University  | 352 Lafayette Street, Salem, MA 01970 | 978-542-6649 |
| 2 | Worcester State University | 486 Chandler Street, Worcester, MA 01602 | 508-929-8129 |

**Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Programs – Approval with Warning Status**

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|  | **Program Name** | **Address** | **Phone** |
| 1 | Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts | 375 Church St., North Adams MA 01247 | 413-662-5201 |
| 2 | Wheaton College | 26 East Main Street, Norton, MA 02766 | 508) 286-8200 |

**Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Programs – Initial Approval Status**

**Registered Nurse Entry Level Graduate Programs – Full Approval Status**

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|  | **Program Name** | **Address** | **Phone** |
| 1 | Boston College William F. Connell School of Nursing | 140 Commonwealth Ave., Chestnut Hill, MA 02467 | 617-552-2230 |
| 2 | Curry College (AE-MSN) | 1071 Blue Hill Avenue, Milton, MA 02186 | 617-333-2364 |
| 3 | MGH Institute of Health Professions | 36 1st Ave. Charlestown Navy Yard, Boston, MA 02129 | 617-724-0480 |
| 4 | Northeastern University | 360 Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA 02115 | 617-373-3649 |
| 5 | Regis College | 235 Wellesley Street, Weston, MA 02493 | 781-768-7090 |
| 6 | University of Massachusetts Chan Medical School Tan Chingfen Graduate SON | 55 Lake Avenue, Worcester, MA 01655 | 508-856-5801 |

**Registered Nurse Entry Level Graduate Programs – Initial Approval Status**

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|  | **Program Name** | **Address** | **Phone** |
| 1 | Simmons University Master’s Entry into Professional Nursing Practice Program  | 300 The Fenway, Boston, MA 02115 | 617-521-2531 |

**Registered Nurse Entry Level Graduate Programs – Prerequisite Approval Status**

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|  | **Program Name** | **Address** | **Phone** |
| 1 | Bay Path University Direct Entry Master’s Degree Nursing Program  | 588 Longmeadow Street, Longmeadow, MA 01106 | 800-782-7284 |

**Registered Nurse Hospital-Based Diploma Program – Full Approval Status**

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|  | **Program Name** | **Address** | **Phone** |
| 1 | Brockton Hospital | 53 Adams Street, Brockton, MA 02302 | 508-941-7040 |