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| **Commonwealth of Massachusetts**  **Board of Registration in Nursing**  244 CMR 6.08(1)(g): Grounds for Board of Registration in Nursing (Board) review of a program’s approval status and site visit shall include ongoing annual NCLEX pass rate less than 80% for first-time writers.  **Guideline for NCLEX Self-Evaluation Report Related To 244 CMR 6.08(1)(g)**  Programs with an annual NCLEX pass rate less than 80% for first-time writers for any second year within a three-year period will conduct a self-evaluation for compliance with all Board regulations at 244 CMR 6.04(1)-(5).  NCLEX Self-Evaluation Purpose:  In submitting a NCLEX self-evaluation report (NCLEX Report) related to 244 CMR 6.08(1)(g): ongoing annual NCLEX pass rate less than 80% for first-time writers, faculty are directed to evaluate and provide satisfactory evidence of the program’s compliance with all Board regulations at 244 CMR 6.04 (1)-(5) with the intent to:   * guide the program faculty and administration in examining all aspects of the program in order to identify factors that may have contributed to the pass rate; * facilitate faculty and administration with identification of program strengths and weaknesses; and * assist the faculty and program administrator to develop a corrective action plan.   NCLEX Report Format:   1. A table of contents should be included and pages should be numbered sequentially, including the appendices. 2. This document should be attached to the report with page numbers and table numbers entered into the spaces provided. 3. All sections in the report should be clearly labeled and sequential in relation to the regulation being addressed. 4. State the regulation followed by a narrative description of compliance. At a minimum the narrative must address the essential questions for each regulation. 5. A hard copy and an electronic version of the NCLEX Report must be submitted by the due date. 6. The report should conclude with identification of: regulatory compliance and non-compliance; factors contributing to the program’s NCLEX performance based on analysis of the data and evidence presented in each section; a clear description of the corrective measures for each factor; and a timeline for implementation and reevaluation. 7. Do NOT include student names (use codes or legends to identify students) 8. Include a current electronic version of the following: nursing student handbook, faculty handbook, and college catalog. 9. Reports that are not submitted in the correct format will be returned to the program for revision. | | |
| **BORN REGULATIONS**  **244 CMR 6.04** | **Narrative Guidelines with Essential Questions to Address in NCLEX Report** | **Documentary Evidence/ Exemplars** |
| (1) Program Mission and Governance  (a) The program shall be affiliated with a parent institution that has and maintains its accreditation. | Is the parent institution accredited? Which accrediting body? When was the last accreditation and when is the parent institution due for another review?  NCLEX Report p.\_\_\_\_ | Official parent institution accreditation letter.  NCLEX Report p.\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| b) The program shall obtain and maintain program accreditation as follows:  1. A program that receives written notice of Full approval status dated before July 1, 2016, and has never obtained program accreditation, shall obtain program accreditation candidacy on or before December 31, 2022 and program accreditation on or before the December 31, 2025.  2. A program that receives written notice of Initial approval status shall apply for and obtain program accreditation within the time period specified in the notice.  3. Except as provided in 244 CMR 6.04(1)(b)1. and 2., programs receiving written notice of Full approval status shall maintain program accreditation at all times. | What is the programs current accreditation status?  NCLEX Report p.\_\_\_\_  If your program is not accredited at the time of this application, please detail the program’s plans to be accredited.  NCLEX Report p.\_\_\_\_\_ | Program accreditation letter.  NCLEX Report p.\_\_\_\_ |
| (d) A program shall have a published mission or philosophy, or both, and nursing education outcomes, which shall be consistent internally and with those of its parent institution, or with differences that are justified by the program outcomes | Describe how the program’s mission or philosophy and objectives or goals are consistent with those of its parent institution? Justify any differences.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How are the program’s mission, philosophy and objectives, or goals internally consistent  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Table \_\_\_\_\_highlighting congruence between published parent institution mission and core values program goals and student learning outcomes.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Systematic evaluation plan demonstrating that the consistency of the program’s mission or philosophy and objectives with those of the parent institution is evaluated on a regular basis.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Example of meeting minutes demonstrated faculty evaluation of program’s mission and goals with that of parent institution.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |
| (e)   The parent institution shall appoint an Administrator, qualified under 244 CMR 6.04(2)(a), on a full-time basis and shall provide adequate resources to effectively administer the program. | Do the role responsibilities of the program administrator include:   * Administration of the program; * Participation in parent institution governance; * Faculty leadership in the development, implementation, and evaluation of program policies; and * Faculty leadership in the development, implementation, and evaluation of a written plan for evaluation of all components of the program?   NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  What is the program administrator’s role in the budget process?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Is the program administrator position a full-time position?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Does the program administrator have duties other than administration of the program assigned to them i.e. teaching?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Does the program administrator have authority and responsibility for the development and administration of the program and adequate time and resources to fulfill the role responsibilities? NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Program administrator’s current curriculum vitae. NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Program administrator’s job description.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Official transcript demonstrating that the program administrator possesses an earned masters degree or an entry level doctorate in nursing.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Program administrator’s workload.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Systematic evaluation plan demonstrating the evaluation of administrator qualifications and job description.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |
| (f)  The Administrator, faculty and students shall participate in the governance of the parent institution and the program, as appropriate, for the accomplishment of the goals of the parent institution and nursing education outcomes | How does the organizing structure provide for participation in parent institution and program governance of administration, faculty and students? NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How do administrators, faculty, and students participate in governance of the parent institution and the program? NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  What opportunities exist for student representation in governance activities and how are students made aware of them? NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Bylaws and or policies which identify the role of faculty, administrator, and students in governance of both the parent institution and the program.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Faculty and administrator job descriptions requiring participation in governance is part of the role responsibilities.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Parent institution and program organization chart.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  List of faculty, administration and students on parent institution and program committees.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Example of notification to students of opportunities to participate in governance.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Example of meeting minutes with administrator, faculty, and student participation in governance highlighted.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Systematic evaluation plan demonstrating the evaluation of faculty, administrator and student participation in governance on a regular basis. NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Faculty workload demonstrating that participation in governance is a component of the role responsibilities.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |
| (g)   Faculty shall develop, implement and evaluate policies which are consistent with the policies of the parent institution, or with differences that are justified by the nursing program outcomes. | How are program faculty involved in the development, implementation, and evaluation of policies?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Are policies for nursing students the same as those of the parent institution?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  If policies differ, how are the differences justified by the goals of the program?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How is data used by faculty to evaluate the effectiveness of a policy and the need for revisions? NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Faculty job description demonstrating that development, implementation, and evaluation of policies is a component of the role responsibilities.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Comparative table \_\_\_\_\_\_identifying congruence of program and parent institution policies and rationale for differences.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Example of meeting minutes with faculty participation in development, implementation, and evaluation of policies highlighted.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Example of meeting minutes with faculty participation in policy revision.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Systematic evaluation plan demonstrating faculty responsibility in the evaluation of policies on a regular basis. Must at a minimum demonstrate the evaluation of the 11 policies required by the Board [ref. 244 CMR 6.04 (3)(2)]  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |
| (h) Faculty shall develop and implement a plan for systematic evaluation. The plan shall include, but need not be limited to, measurable expected levels of achievement, evaluation methodologies, frequency of evaluation, responsible person(s), aggregated and trended data and other findings, actual outcomes and resulting actions. The results of the evaluation shall be used for the development, maintenance and revision of the program. | Did the faculty develop the systematic evaluation plan and how is it used to evaluate all components of the program?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Is the evaluation of the 14 Board required policies evident in the written plan? [ref. 244 CMR 6.04 (3)(2)]  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Is the evaluation of the all components of 244 CMR 6.04 evident in the written plan?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Is the evaluation of the measurement of the outcomes, including those required by the Board, of the program evident?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How do faculty use aggregated and trended data to demonstrate program effectiveness in meeting program outcomes and guide program decision making? What decisions have been based on the aggregated and trended data in the last year?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Does the systematic evaluation plan contain the following elements for identified program outcomes (including but not limited to: program administrator and faculty retention; NCLEX performance; complaints regarding the program; student admission, retention and graduation rates; graduate satisfaction; and employment positions, rates and patterns): expected level of achievement, multiple strategies for data collection, established timelines (month/year), responsible person or group, and analysis of the data collected?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  For Programs not meeting the expected levels of achievement: Has the faculty completed an analysis of contributing factors, developed a plan for improvement and set a timeline for reevaluation of achievement?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Systematic evaluation plan including all program components, expected level of achievement, multiple strategies for data collection, established timelines (month/year), responsible person or group, and analysis of the data collected with a minimum of three (3) years of data related to identified program outcomes  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Example of meeting minutes demonstrating faculty making program decisions based on analysis of data related to achievement of identified program outcomes.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Faculty job description demonstrating that participation in systematic evaluation of all components of the program is part of the role responsibilities  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Systematic Evaluation Plan annual calendar NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |
| (i) Faculty shall:  1. provide instruction, advice and oversight; and  2. evaluate student acquisition of nursing competence. | Are faculty responsible for evaluating student achievement of nursing competencies in theory and clinical?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Are measurable appropriately leveled course objectives established for each nursing course and each clinical rotation?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Who is responsible for evaluation of student achievement of nursing competencies in the clinical setting?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How do program faculty evaluate student achievement of nursing competencies in theory and clinical?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Are the evaluation methods in each course varied? NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How are course outcomes and evaluation methods linked to the student learning outcomes?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Do learning experiences provide the opportunity for students to achieve the identified nursing competencies?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How do faculty ensure that evaluation methods are reliable and valid?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How are novice nurse educator mentored (e.g. curriculum, student evaluation of competencies, learning expectations, etc.?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Faculty job description (clinical and theory) demonstrating that evaluation of student achievement of nursing competencies is a component of the role responsibilities.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Table \_\_\_\_\_\_ Methods to evaluate student achievement of Program competencies.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Examples from course syllabi and outlines demonstrating how faculty evaluate student achievement of nursing competencies.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Example of a rubric for assignments  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Example of a clinical evaluation tool  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Table \_\_\_\_\_\_demonstrating correlation of nursing course and clinical objectives.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Chart or table demonstrating how course outcomes and evaluation methods are linked to the student learning outcomes?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Example of a clinical affiliation agreement demonstrating that faculty is responsible for student evaluation.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Sample of an exam blueprint.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Other examples of evaluation of student achievement of nursing competencies.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Systematic evaluation plan demonstrating that the student achievement of nursing competencies by faculty is evaluated on a regular basis and the results are used to maintain or revise.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |
| (k)   The program shall, within seven business days, notify the Board in writing of a change in administrative personnel within the program, or a change in the chief executive officer of the parent institution, or both. | Has there been a change in the program administrator or chief executive officer of the parent institution in the past 5 years?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  If there was a change, was the Board notified immediately?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | List of dates of notifications to the Board of change in program administrator or chief executive officer in the past five years. |
| (l) The program shall have a written policy for the maintenance and retirement of school, faculty, student and graduate records. | Does a written policy or policies identify how school, faculty, student and graduate records will be maintained?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Does it include a time frame, a process for retirement and records custodian?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Identify the contents and locations for the written policy or policies for the maintenance and retirement of school, faculty, student and graduate records.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Nursing student handbook p. \_\_\_\_  Faculty handbook p. \_\_\_\_  College catalog p. \_\_\_\_  Website link \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| (m) The program shall publish information about the program including, but not limited to program approval and accreditation status, number of graduates in each class, the annual NCLEX pass rate for first time writers and transferability of credits from other educational institutions (transfer credit policy). The program shall ensure accuracy, consistency and integrity of the information about the program in its publications, including catalogs and websites. | Is the program’s current approval status posted on all program information (electronic and printed)?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Table\_\_\_\_\_\_: Name, location and links to published current approval status in official publications NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Student brochures  Website link: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Student handbook p. \_\_\_\_  Website link: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  College catalog p. \_\_\_\_  Website link: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Parent Institution and Program Website links: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| 2. Administrator, Faculty and Preceptor Qualifications.  (a) Administrator. The Administrator of the program shall:  1. hold a current Massachusetts Registered Nurse license in good standing;  2. possess an earned graduate degree in nursing;  3. develop and maintain competence appropriate to administrative responsibilities including, but not limited to: a. orientation and mentoring to the administrator role; b. knowledge of M.G.L. c. 112, §§ 74 through 81C and 244 CMR c. participation in professional development in nursing education such as certification, continuing education; and  4. possess a minimum of five years full-time nursing experience with at least three years full-time experience, or its equivalent, in nursing education in either:  a. a nursing education program designed to prepare a graduate to practice as a Licensed Practical Nurse or a Registered Nurse; or  b. a post-licensure graduate nursing education program. | What are the program administrator’s credentials? NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Does the program administrator hold a current MA unencumbered RN license?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Does the program administrator have an earned masters degree in nursing or an earned entry level doctorate in nursing?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Does the program administrator possess a minimum of five years full-time nursing experience or its equivalent, within the last eight years, with at least three years experience in nursing education? NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How does the program administrator maintain expertise appropriate to administrative responsibilities?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Attestation that administrator has a MA RN license in good standing and that print out of verification from the MA BORN website is on file  Administrator current curriculum vitae.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Official transcript demonstrating that the program administrator possesses an earned masters degree or an entry level doctorate in nursing.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  List of relevant professional development over the past three years.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |
| (b) Faculty shall:  1. hold a current Massachusetts Registered Nurse license in good standing;  2. develop and maintain competence appropriate to teaching responsibilities including, but not limited to:  a. orientation and mentoring to the nurse educator role;  b. knowledge of M.G.L. c. 112, §§ 74 through 81C and 244 CMR;  c. participation in professional development in nursing education such as certification, continuing education;  3. possess a minimum of two years full-time experience in nursing, or its equivalent, within the last five years and evidence of clinical competence in the area(s) of clinical instruction; and 4. possess the following academic and experiential qualifications as appropriate to the faculty member's appointment:  a. faculty appointed to a Practical Nursing program shall possess:  i. an earned baccalaureate degree in nursing; or  ii. an earned graduate degree in nursing.  b. faculty appointed to a Registered Nursing program, teaching the theoretical component of a nursing course, shall possess an earned graduate degree in nursing;  c. faculty appointed to a Registered Nursing program, teaching the clinical or skills lab component of a nursing course, shall possess:  i. an earned graduate degree in nursing; or ii. an earned baccalaureate degree in nursing and also meet at least one of the following:  (i) be matriculated in a graduate nursing program with an expected graduation date within five years of the date of the appointment; or  (ii) possess a related non-nursing graduate degree; or  (iii) possess a current Nurse Education certification by a Board recognized certifying organization; or  (iv) possess a minimum of five years full-time Registered Nurse experience within the last eight years, be mentored by faculty who possesses a graduate degree in nursing; and - have been appointed before January 6, 2023; or - be matriculated in a graduate nursing program within one year of appointment with an expected graduation date within five years of the date of matriculation; or - obtain a current Nurse Education certification by a Board recognized certifying organization within three years of appointment. | Do all faculty teaching the theoretical and clinical component of a nursing course hold a current MA unencumbered RN license?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  **Practical Nurse Programs only:**  Do all faculty teaching all components of a nursing course possess an earned baccalaureate or masters degree in nursing? NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  **Registered Nurse Programs only:**  Do all faculty teaching all components of a nursing course possess an earned masters or doctorate degree in nursing? NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Do all faculty possess a minimum of two years full-time experience in nursing, or its equivalent, within the last five years and evidence of clinical competence in the area of clinical instruction?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How do nursing faculty maintain expertise appropriate to teaching responsibilities?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How does the program support professional development?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How are faculty orientated to their role? How are new faculty mentored?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Faculty table \_\_\_\_\_\_ that includes faculty name, degree, degree granting institution, date degree was conferred, courses/areas of expertise, full-time or part-time status.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Attestation that all nursing faculty have a MA RN license in good standing and that verification of current RN licensure is maintained consistently with faculty records policy.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  **Practical Nurse Programs only:**  Attestation that all official transcripts demonstrating that the faculty teaching all components of a nursing course possess an earned baccalaureate degree in nursing or an earned master’s degree in nursing are on file.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  **Registered Nurse Programs only:**  Attestation that all official transcript demonstrating that the faculty teaching all components of a nursing course possess an earned masters or doctorate in nursing are on file.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Attestation that current curriculum vitae of all faculty demonstrating that they are experientially and educationally qualified are on file.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Table\_\_\_\_\_\_ documenting relevant professional development for nursing faculty over last three years.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Description of budget line item for faculty professional development over last three years.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |
| (c) Preceptors shall:  1. possess a Massachusetts nursing license in good standing or authority to practice under federal law, or both;  2. possess a minimum of one-year full-time experience in nursing, or its equivalent, within the last five years.  3. maintain competence in the clinical area precepting including, but not limited to, orientation and mentoring to the preceptor role; and  4. be educationally prepared at or above the level of the student. | Do all preceptors possess a minimum of one year full-time experience in nursing, or its equivalent, within the last five years and evidence of clinical competence in the area of clinical instruction?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How do preceptors maintain expertise appropriate to teaching responsibilities?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How does the program support professional development?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How are preceptors orientated to their role?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Preceptor table \_\_\_\_\_\_ that includes preceptor name, degree, degree granting institution, date degree was conferred, courses/areas of expertise.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Attestation that all preceptors have a MA RN license in good standing and that verification of current RN licensure is maintained consistently with faculty records policy.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Attestation that current curriculum vitae of all preceptors demonstrating that they are experientially and educationally qualified are on file.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |
| (3) Students. The program shall:  (a) require all candidates for admission to provide satisfactory evidence of secondary school graduation, or its equivalent, and compliance with the immunization requirements specified by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health; | Does the admission policy state that all candidates must provide satisfactory evidence of secondary school ***graduation*** or its equivalent?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Does the program require compliance with the immunization requirements specified by the MA DPH?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Admission policy that states all candidates must provide satisfactory evidence of secondary school graduation or its equivalent  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Nursing student handbook p. \_\_\_\_  College catalog p. \_\_\_\_  Website link \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Immunization policy that is compliant with the immunization requirements specified by the MA DPH  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Nursing student handbook p. \_\_\_\_  College catalog p. \_\_\_\_  Website link \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| (b) publish current policies which describe the specific nondiscriminatory criteria for admission; progression; attendance; academic integrity; use of social media; course exemption; advanced placement; transfer; advanced placement or transfer of military education, training or service for a military health care occupation; educational mobility; withdrawal; readmission; graduation; and student rights and grievances. | Does the program publish current policies which describe the specific nondiscriminatory criteria for admission; progression; attendance; academic integrity; use of social media; course exemption; advanced placement; transfer; advanced placement or transfer of military education, training or service for a military health care occupation; educational mobility; withdrawal; readmission; graduation; and student rights and grievances?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Are rubrics used for any of the above policies? If so, please describe.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How does the program ensure that the policies required by the Board are applied to all applicants and students in the same manner?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How does the program ensure transparency in the implementation of the policies required by the Board?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Current policies which describe the specific nondiscriminatory criteria for:  **Admission**  Nursing student handbook p. \_\_\_\_  Faculty handbook p. \_\_\_\_  College catalog p. \_\_\_\_  Website link \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **Progression**  Nursing student handbook p. \_\_\_\_  Faculty handbook p. \_\_\_\_  College catalog p. \_\_\_\_  Website link \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **Attendance**  Nursing student handbook p. \_\_\_\_  Faculty handbook p. \_\_\_\_  College catalog p. \_\_\_\_  Website link \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **Academic Integrity**  Nursing student handbook p. \_\_\_\_  Faculty handbook p. \_\_\_\_  College catalog p. \_\_\_\_  Website link \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **Use of Social Media**  Nursing student handbook p. \_\_\_\_  Faculty handbook p. \_\_\_\_  College catalog p. \_\_\_\_  Website link \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **Course Exemption**  Nursing student handbook p. \_\_\_\_  Faculty handbook p. \_\_\_\_  College catalog p. \_\_\_\_  Website link \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **Advanced placement**  Nursing student handbook p. \_\_\_\_  Faculty handbook p. \_\_\_\_  College catalog p. \_\_\_\_  Website link \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **Transfer**  Nursing student handbook p. \_\_\_\_  Faculty handbook p. \_\_\_\_  College catalog p. \_\_\_\_  Website link \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **Advanced placement or transfer of military education, training or service for a military health care occupation**  Nursing student handbook p. \_\_\_\_  Faculty handbook p. \_\_\_\_  College catalog p. \_\_\_\_  Website link \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **Educational mobility**  Nursing student handbook p. \_\_\_\_  Faculty handbook p. \_\_\_\_  College catalog p. \_\_\_\_  Website link \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **Withdrawal**  Nursing student handbook p. \_\_\_\_  Faculty handbook p. \_\_\_\_  College catalog p. \_\_\_\_  Website link \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **Readmission**  Nursing student handbook p. \_\_\_\_  Faculty handbook p. \_\_\_\_  College catalog p. \_\_\_\_  Website link \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **Graduation**  Nursing student handbook p. \_\_\_\_  Faculty handbook p. \_\_\_\_  College catalog p. \_\_\_\_  Website link \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **Student rights and grievances**  Nursing student handbook p. \_\_\_\_  Faculty handbook p. \_\_\_\_  College catalog p. \_\_\_\_  Website link \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Table: Admission criteria as predictive of student success in the academic program NCLEX outcomes.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Provide confidential individual and aggregate student data, showing compliance with admission, progression standards and correlation of student characteristics as they relate to NCLEX outcome. NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Systematic evaluation plan demonstrating that the Board required policies are evaluated on a regular basis.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |
| (c) publish the common clinical placement requirements among the cooperating agencies; and | Are the common clinical placements and requirements published? How often are they updated?  NCLEX Report p.\_\_\_\_  Where are the clinical placements published?  NCELX Report p.\_\_\_\_ | Name, location and links to published current clinical placements in official publications.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |
| (d) provide opportunities for students to regularly participate in the development and evaluation of the program. | Describe all opportunities for students to regularly participate in the development and evaluation of the program.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How does the program gather student evaluation and feedback?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How does the program use student feedback to develop and evaluate the program?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How are evaluation findings shared with faculty and students?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Table of evaluation tools used for student evaluation of the program (course, clinical, faculty evaluations, etc.).  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Example of meeting minutes demonstrating that student evaluation of the program is used to make program decisions. (i.e. curriculum revisions, new resources).  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Aggregated and trended data related to student evaluation of the program.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Systematic evaluation plan demonstrating that the opportunities for students to regularly participate in the development and evaluation of the program exist and that data is used to make program changes on a regular basis.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Examples of how evaluation findings are shared with faculty and students.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Nursing student handbook policy or other document demonstrating that opportunities are provided for students to participate in the development and evaluation of the program. NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |
| (4) Curriculum.  (a) Program faculty shall develop a nursing curriculum plan which shall provide a variety of learning experiences consistent with the program mission or philosophy, or both, and nursing education outcomes. The sciences, arts, humanities, M.G.L. c. 112, §§ 74 through 81C, and 244 CMR, and other foundations of the profession, shall be an integral part of the nursing curriculum plan, including experiences that promote the development of nursing judgment, leadership and management skills, and professional role socialization consistent with the level of licensure. This includes demonstration of the ability to delegate, supervise others, and provide leadership. | How is the curriculum developed by faculty?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Does the nursing curriculum plan provide a variety of learning experiences consistent with the program’s mission or philosophy and objectives or goals? Describe.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Identify how science, arts, humanities and foundations of the profession are included in the curriculum? Provide rationale for placement within the curriculum plan. How do these courses support the nursing courses?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Identify how the nursing curriculum includes experiences that promote the development of `nursing judgment, leadership and management skills, and professional role socialization consistent with the level of licensure?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Identify how science, arts, humanities and foundations of the profession are included in the curriculum?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Table or chart \_\_\_\_\_\_ that demonstrates consistency between the philosophy, program objectives, curriculum plan, and student learning outcomes.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Curriculum plan inclusive of all courses  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Faculty job description (clinical and theory) demonstrating that development of the nursing curriculum plan is a component of the role responsibilities.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Aggregated data science course and nursing course grades and pass fail NCLEX status (3 years).  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Example of meeting minutes demonstrating that faculty develop and regularly evaluate the nursing curriculum plan.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Systematic evaluation plan demonstrating that the faculty evaluate the nursing curriculum plan on a regular basis.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |
| (b) The curriculum shall:  1. extend over a period of time sufficient to provide essential, sequenced learning experiences which enable a student to develop nursing competence appropriate to the level of licensure and educational preparation. | Is the program length sufficient to enable a student to develop nursing competence?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How are courses sequenced to enable a student to develop nursing competence?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Examples of how student learning outcomes and program outcomes are achieved within the program length.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |
| 2. be based on an organized pattern of instruction consistent with principles of learning and educational practice with expected levels of achievement at defined points in the program; | How are student learning outcomes used to organize the curriculum?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How do student learning outcomes guide learning activities and evaluation methods?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How is the curriculum organized? (i.e. from simple to complex, general to specialties)  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  What is the ratio of classroom to lab and clinical hours?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How does the faculty ensure that the placement of clinical learning experiences corresponds to classroom instruction?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Matrix demonstrating progression of leveled course objectives to program objectives throughout the program.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |
| 3. provide instruction in the discipline of nursing, appropriate to the level of licensure and educational preparation, with articulated student learning outcomes, and legal, ethical and professional responsibilities; and | How is the curriculum validated as current, comprehensive, evidence-based, preparing graduates for safe, competent, entry-level practice?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Does the curriculum include nursing care across the lifespan?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Does the curriculum include content relevant to national and local health care needs? How is content selected? Describe content.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Are professional nursing guidelines used to determine evaluation of competencies and development of student learning outcomes?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Table \_\_\_\_\_\_Correlate the curriculum to current, comprehensive, evidence-based practice that prepares graduates for safe, competent, entry-level practice  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Comparative analysis of curriculum and current NCLEX Detailed Test Plan for Educators– both didactic and clinical with identification of any gaps.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Corrective actions and timeframes if gaps are identified.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Evidence of congruence of program objectives with the scope of practice of graduate.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Systematic evaluation plan includes evaluation of the curriculum including comparison to NCLEX Test Plan for educators, professional nursing guidelines, national and local health care needs. NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |
| 4. be designed in accordance with generally accepted academic standards. | How does the nursing program meet generally accepted standards and credit?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Curriculum plan NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Credit breakdown of required courses NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Systematic evaluation plan includes evaluation of the curriculum including length of time.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  **Practical Nursing Programs only:**  Table\_\_\_\_\_\_ PN clock hour allocation to theory, lab, and clinical demonstrating total 1080 hours allocated to the program with minimum of 945 hours shall be allocated to nursing courses in Practical Nursing programs, of which a minimum of 540 hours shall be for clinical experiences NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |
| (5) Resources.  The parent institution shall allocate resources to the program in a manner appropriate to meeting the program outcomes. The resources must be sufficient to allow the program to:  (a) maintain an adequate number of full-time and part-time faculty and support personnel. | Does the program have an adequate number of full- and part-time faculty and support personnel to meet the goals and outcomes?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  What is the faculty staff ratio in the classroom, lab, and clinical?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How many support personnel are utilized by the program?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How do the support personnel contribute to meeting the goals and outcomes of the program  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Comparative analysis of first-time licensure candidates, preparation by full time/part time and waivered faculty in the didactic, skills lab, and clinical settings and NCLEX outcome.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Systematic evaluation plan includes evaluation of utilization of an adequate number of full-time, part-time faculty and support personnel  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |
| (b) develop written agreements with cooperating agencies utilized as clinical learning sites;  1. Agreements shall be reviewed annually by both program and agency personnel.  2. Agreements shall be current and specific in defining the responsibilities of the program and the cooperating agency. | Are written agreements with cooperating agencies utilized as clinical learning sites current?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Do written agreements with cooperating agencies state responsibility of instructors for student in clinical?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Do written agreements with cooperating agencies state that the agency is ultimately responsible for patient care?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Do written agreements with cooperating agencies state that the program is ultimately responsible for students’ education?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Do written agreements with cooperating agencies provide for review by program and agency personnel?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Example clinical affiliation agreements.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Table \_\_\_\_\_outlining clinical affiliation agreements, according to curriculum map, review and renewal dates.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_  Sample of minutes of meetings demonstrating that agreements are reviewed annually.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Systematic evaluation plan ensures regular review of written agreements with cooperating agencies utilized as clinical learning sites.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |
| (c) maintain student-faculty ratio in clinical practice, up to a limit of ten students to one faculty member (10:1).  1. Faculty, in consultation with the cooperating agency, shall determine student-faculty ratio based on the student level of knowledge and skill, the complexity of the learning situations, student learning outcomes and the safety of the patient.  2. In programs that include preceptor facilitated learning experiences, the program shall designate a faculty member who is responsible for coordinating the experience and evaluating student acquisition of competence. The designated faculty member shall determine the student-preceptor ratio, up to a limit of two students to one preceptor (2:1); | What is the student-faculty ratio in clinical practice for each nursing course?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  How does the program determine that ratio? NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  What factors are considered when making decisions about clinical assignments?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Table \_\_\_\_\_\_outlining faculty assignments, clinical practice area, and faculty to student ratios.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Systematic evaluation plan demonstrates that clinical practice areas and student-faculty ratios are evaluated on a regular basis  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |
| (d) provide current and comprehensive learning resources developed with faculty input. These resources shall be available and accessible to students and faculty; | What learning resources are available to students? NCLEX Report p.\_\_\_\_\_\_  What learning resources are available to faculty? NCLEX Report p.\_\_\_\_\_\_  Are those resources available to all nursing faculty and students?  NCLEX Report p.\_\_\_\_\_\_  How are learning resources developed/chosen? NCLEX Report p.\_\_\_\_\_\_  How long are library holdings maintained and retired?  NCLEX Report p.\_\_\_\_\_\_ | Comparative analysis of student utilization of resources and NCLEX pass fail status.  NCLEX Report p.\_\_\_\_\_\_  Systematic evaluation plan demonstrates that learning resources are current, comprehensive and developed with faculty input.  NCLEX Report p.\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| (e)  maintaining appropriately  designed and equipped physical  facilities; | How do physical facilities contribute to meeting the goals and outcomes of the program?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Systematic evaluation plan demonstrates that the physical facilities are evaluated on a regular basis.  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |
| (f)  managing fiscal resources to maintain the program’s financial health; and | Are fiscal resources appropriate to maintain the program’s financial health?  NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Is the allocation of fiscal resources appropriate to meet the goals and outcomes of the program? NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ | Program operational budget ( 3 years) NCLEX NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_  Systematic evaluation plan demonstrates that the fiscal resources are evaluated on a regular basis NCLEX Report p. \_\_\_\_ |

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