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### DELIVERED VIA EMAIL ONLY

April 20, 2020

Ann Milner, DNP, RN Department Head, Nursing Wake Technical Community College 2901 Holston Lane Raleigh, NC 27610

Dear Dr. Milner:

This letter is formal notification of the action taken by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) at its meeting in March 2020. The Board of Commissioners granted continuing accreditation to the associate nursing program and scheduled the next evaluation visit for Fall 2027.

Deliberations centered on the materials available to the Board from this accreditation review process and the recommendation for accreditation proposed by the peer evaluators on the site visit team and the Evaluation Review Panel.

The Board identified the following:

## **Areas Needing Development**

### Standard I Mission and Administrative Capacity, Criterion 1.2

 Ensure opportunities exist for the representation of students in governance activities of the nursing education unit and the governing organization.

### Standard 3 Students, Criterion 3.2

• Review and revise program documents related to graduation rates to ensure that information intended to inform the public is accurate and clear.

# Standard 4 Curriculum, Criterion 4.7

• Ensure evaluation methodologies measure the achievement of the end-of-program student learning outcomes.

## Standard 6 Outcomes, Criteria 6.1, 6.3, and 6.4

- Ensure the program demonstrates that there are specific, measurable expected levels of achievement for each end-of-program student learning outcome.
- Ensure the program demonstrates evidence that assessment data are consistently analyzed and used in program decision-making for the maintenance and improvement of students' attainment of the end-of-program student learning outcomes.
- Continue to identify and implement strategies/actions to improve the achievement of the end-of-program student learning outcomes when the expected levels of achievement are not met.
- Continue to identify and implement strategies/actions to improve the program completion rate when the expected level of achievement is not met.



# Areas Needing Development (continued)

# Standard 6 Outcomes, Criteria 6.1, 6.3, and 6.4

- Review and revise the expected level of achievement for job placement to be congruent with the ACEN definition of job placement.
- Ensure there are appropriate assessment method(s) for job placement that result in meaningful data.
- Ensure the program demonstrates evidence of a minimum of the three most recent years of available job placement data and the data are aggregated for the program as a whole.

Congratulations on this outstanding achievement! We look forward to continued successes for your nursing program. On behalf of the Board of Commissioners, we thank you and your colleagues for your commitment to quality nursing education. In addition to this official letter, your nursing program will receive an ACEN certificate authenticating the Board of Commissioners' decision. The processing of these certificates has been delayed due to the COVID-19 outbreak and will resume when ACEN staff members are able to return to the office. If you have questions about this action or about ACEN policies and procedures, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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