60-17-102. Requirements for initial approval.

(a) Each hospital and agency serving as an affiliating agency and providing facilities for clinical experience shall be licensed or accredited by the appropriate credentialing groups.

(b) (1) The advanced nursing education program or the institution of which it is a part shall be a legally constituted body. The controlling body shall be responsible for general policy and shall provide the financial support for the advanced nursing education program.

(2) Authority and responsibility for administering the advanced nursing education program shall be vested in the nurse administrator of the advanced nursing education program.

(c) Each new advanced nursing education program shall submit, at least 60 days before a scheduled board meeting, an initial application, which shall include all of the following:

(1) The course of study and credential to be conferred;

(2) the name and title of the nurse administrator of the advanced nursing education program;

(3) the name of the controlling body;

(4) the name and title of the administrator for the controlling body;

(5) the organizational chart;

(6) all sources of financial support, including a three-year budget;

(7) a proposed curriculum, indicating the total number of hours of both theoretical and clinical instruction;

(8) the program objectives or outcomes;

(9) the number, qualifications, and assignments of faculty;

(10) the faculty policies;

(11) the admission requirements;

(12) a copy of the current school bulletin or catalog;

(13) a description of clinical facilities and client census data;

(14) contractual agreements by affiliating agencies for clinical facilities, signed at least three months before the first date on which students may enroll;

(15) the program evaluation plan; and

(16) a proposed date of initial admission of students to the program.

(d) Each advanced nursing education program shall be surveyed for approval by the board, with the exception of nurse anesthesia programs, as determined by K.A.R. 60-13-103.

(1) During a survey, the nurse administrator of the program shall make available all of the following:

(A) Administrators, prospective faculty and students, affiliating agencies, representatives, preceptors, and support services personnel to discuss the advanced nursing education program;

(B) minutes of faculty meetings;

(C) faculty and student handbooks;

(D) policies and procedures;

(E) curriculum materials;

(F) a copy of the advanced nursing education program's budget; and

(G) affiliating agency contractual agreements.

(2) The nurse administrator of the advanced nursing education program or designated personnel shall take the survey team to inspect the nursing educational facilities, including satellite program facilities and library facilities.

(3) Upon completion of the survey, the nurse administrator shall be asked to correct any inaccurate statements contained in the survey report, limiting these comments to errors, unclear statements, or omissions.

(e) Each institution contemplating the establishment of an advanced nursing education program shall be surveyed and accredited by the board before the admission of students.

(f) If an advanced nursing education program fails to meet the requirements of the board within a designated period of time, the program shall be notified by the board's designee of the board's intent to deny approval.