

60-2-102. Reapproval requirements.

- (a) Based on the annual report, each nursing education program shall be reviewed for approval annually by the board and pay an annual fee to the board.
- (b) Each resurvey of a nursing education program shall be valid for not more than 10 years. If the program is accredited by a national nursing accreditation agency, the resurvey visit may be made in coordination with a national nursing accreditation agency visit. Each program without national nursing accreditation shall be resurveyed every five years.
- (c) A resurvey or unannounced site visit may be conducted at any time other than a scheduled survey visit if the board determines that there is consistent evidence reflecting deficiencies in meeting the requirements or the board is determining whether or not deficiencies have been corrected by a program on conditional approval status.
- (d) The deficiencies sufficient to warrant action by the board shall include the deficiencies specified in subsections (e) through (h). Failure to correct any deficiency within the prescribed period may result in the board's placement of the program on conditional approval or may result in loss of approval.
- (e)
 - (1) If the first-time candidates in a nursing education program have an annual pass rate on the licensure examination of less than 75 percent for two consecutive years, the program shall receive a written notice of concern from the board.
 - (2) The nursing education program shall have three months after the date of the written notice of concern to submit a written report analyzing all aspects of the education program, identifying areas contributing to the pass rate and the program's plan of action to improve the pass rate. The program shall have one year after the date of the written notice to demonstrate evidence of implementing strategies to correct deficiencies to bring the pass rate up to at least the 75 percent criterion.
 - (3) If the nursing education program has an annual pass rate of less than 75 percent for three consecutive years, the program may receive a site visit for evaluation and recommendation. The nurse administrator of the program shall appear before the board and present an analysis of the measures taken and an analysis of the reasons for the program's pass rate below 75 percent.
- (f) A program that is accredited by a national nursing accrediting agency and is subsequently placed on warning or whose accreditation by the national nursing accreditation agency is withdrawn shall be scheduled immediately for a survey visit.
- (g) Failure to meet education statutes and regulations shall result in action by the board.
- (h) Each complaint involving educational statutes and regulations reported to board members or staff shall initiate an investigation by the board and may require a survey visit, depending on the seriousness and number of complaints.
- (i) The nurse administrator of the nursing education program shall make the following information available during each site visit:
 - (1) Data about the program, including the following:
 - (A) The number of students;
 - (B) the legal body responsible for policy and support of program;
 - (C) the organizational chart;
 - (D) an audited fiscal report covering the previous two years, including a statement of income and expenditures;
 - (2) the nurse administrator's responsibilities;
 - (3) for each faculty member and preceptor, the following information:
 - (A) Job descriptions;
 - (B) selection policies;
 - (C) orientation plan;
 - (D) faculty organization by-laws;
 - (E) number of full-time and part-time faculty and non-nursing faculty with academic credentials and assignments; and
 - (F) faculty-student clinical ratio;
 - (4) degree plan;
 - (5) a copy of the current curriculum with the date of last revision;
 - (6) the testing process with test analysis and the written test procedure;
 - (7) a description of education facilities, including classrooms, offices, library, and computers;
 - (8) a list of clinical facilities;
 - (9) the number of students by classes; and
 - (10) the policies for students as listed in K.A.R. 60-2-107.

- (j) During each resurvey, the nurse administrator of the nursing education program shall make available the following:
 - (1) The educational institution's administrators, faculty, support services personnel, and students;
 - (2) staff members of selected affiliating agencies;
 - (3) faculty minutes for at least the three previous years;
 - (4) faculty and student handbooks;
 - (5) student records;
 - (6) policies and procedures;
 - (7) curriculum materials;
 - (8) a copy of the nursing education program's audited fiscal report covering the previous two years, including income and expenditures;
 - (9) affiliating agency contractual agreements;
 - (10) program evaluation plan and evidence of program effectiveness; and
 - (11) school's current catalog.
- (k) The nurse administrator of the nursing education program or designated personnel shall take the survey team to the nursing educational facilities, including satellite program facilities, library facilities, and clinical agencies.
- (l) Upon completion of the survey, the nurse administrator shall be asked to correct any inaccurate statements contained in the survey report, limiting comments to errors, unclear statements, and omissions.
- (m) If a 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 reapproval. This notification shall be made pursuant to K.S.A. 77-512 and amendments thereto of the Kansas administrative procedures act and shall inform the program of its right to a hearing pursuant to the act. The parent institution shall be responsible for securing and providing for the permanent custody and storage of records of all students and graduates.

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