

655—2.17(152) Results of graduates who take the licensure examination for the first time. The program shall notify the board when the program's NCLEX® passing percentage is lower than 80 percent for one calendar year.

2.17(1) The program demonstrates that it meets the NCLEX® passing rate of 80 percent in any one of the following ways:

a. The NCLEX® pass rate for each campus or site and track is 80 percent or higher for those who take the licensure examination for the first time for the most recent calendar year (January 1 through December 31);

b. The NCLEX® pass rate for each campus or site and track is 80 percent or higher for all who take the licensure examination for the most recent calendar year (January 1 through December 31);

c. The NCLEX® pass rate for each campus or site and track is 80 percent or higher for those who take the licensure examination for the first time over the three most recent calendar years; or

d. The NCLEX® pass rate for each campus or site and track is 80 percent or higher for all who take the licensure examination over the three most recent calendar years.

For each campus or site and track, identify which of the options in paragraphs 2.17(1) "a" through "d" was used to calculate the pass rate.

2.17(2) A program whose NCLEX® passing percentage is lower than 80 percent shall submit an institutional plan and appear before the board as directed.

2.17(3) After submission of the institutional plan, for each consecutive calendar year that a program's NCLEX® passing percentage is lower than 80 percent, the program shall submit an institutional plan evaluation and appear before the board as directed.

2.17(4) Programs with an NCLEX® passing percentage that falls below 80 percent for three consecutive calendar years will be placed on improvement status after the third year.

2.17(5) A program on improvement status shall:

a. Notify all current and prospective students of the program's improvement status.

b. Submit quarterly reports and present the reports to the board as directed.

2.17(6) Board staff may conduct a site visit to the program at any time while the program is on improvement status.

2.17(7) Programs that remain on improvement status for two consecutive calendar years shall submit a revised institutional plan and appear before the board as directed. The board will:

a. Review the revised institutional plan and formulate an action plan for the program on improvement status.

b. Individualize the action plan for each program.

2.17(8) A program will be removed from improvement status when the program's NCLEX® passing percentage is above 80 percent for one calendar year.

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