

BORN “Approved With Warning” Status Frequently Asked Questions

What does “Approved with Warning” mean?

The Board of Registration in Nursing has reviewed the College’s Associate in Science in Nursing program and has asked the Division of Nursing to accomplish a series of tasks designed to improve the first-time pass rate on the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX).

Does “Approved with Warning” affect my ability to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) to become a Registered Nurse?

No. The Board of Registration in Nursing (BORN) continues to approve the College’s Associate in Science in Nursing program, which permits all students who successfully complete the program to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) to become a Registered Nurse.

Does “Approved with Warning” affect the program’s ACEN accreditation or the College’s NEASC/CIHE accreditation?

No. While both accrediting agencies have been notified by the College about the “Approved with Warning” status, the program and the College remain fully accredited.

Does “Approved with Warning” affect my ability to enter a BSN or graduate program in the future?

No. The Board of Registration in Nursing (BORN) continues to approve the College’s Associate in Science in Nursing program, which will have no effect on your applications for further study.

When will the Board of Registration in Nursing (BORN) lift the “Warning” status?

The Board of Registration in Nursing (BORN) has asked the College’s Division of Nursing to submit reports in December 2016, March 2017, and May 2017. The implication is that, after a review of these reports, the Board of Registration in Nursing (BORN) will make a further decision about the status. So, the “Approved with Warning” status will continue through at least May 2017.

What is the College doing to remove the “Warning” status?

The Board of Registration in Nursing (BORN) has asked the College to look at a number of areas, from hanging privacy curtains in skills and simulation laboratories to admission, progression, and readmission policies, all designed to raise the College’s first-time pass rates on the NCLEX. To that end, the Division of Nursing has implemented a concept-based curriculum that is aligned with the concepts NCLEX tests, simulation learning that takes students through scenarios they will be asked about on NCLEX, ATI testing (particularly in NUR 2020 to predict success on NCLEX), increased tutoring in the Center for Student Success and Teaching Excellence to assist students in navigating the curriculum, increased faculty mentoring to assist students in NUR 2020 to meet the required ATI thresholds for predicting NCLEX success, and hiring new full-time faculty members to assist students in progressing through the Associate in Science in Nursing program.

Will there be a tuition discount because of the “Approved with Warning” status?

The College *is* providing increased tutoring and mentoring as well as adding new full-time Nursing faculty members at no cost to students. The College *is not* providing a tuition discount.

Who can I contact for more information about the “Approved with Warning” status?

You may contact Karen Manning, Chairperson of the Division of Nursing (617) 322-3528.

Where can I go to have help with registration, financial aid, accommodations, advising, tutoring, and career counseling, given the “Approved with Warning” status?

As always, you may contact the helpful staff at the One-Stop Student Services Center (617) 322-3517.

Will the College provide updates about “Approved with Warning” status?

Yes. The Division of Nursing will hold Open Forums to address the status. In addition, the Division of Nursing plans classroom visits to provide timely updates. You will be notified about these occurrences.

