

TITLE 3: HUMAN RESOURCES
DIVISION 2: HEALTH

§ 2312. Approval of Nursing Education Programs.

(a) *Approval Standards.* The Board shall, by administrative rules, set standards for the establishment and conduct of nursing education programs, including all clinical facilities used for learning experiences, and shall survey and approve such programs that meet the requirements of this chapter and the Board administrative rules.

(b) *Approval Required.* An educational institution within this Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands desiring to conduct a nursing education program shall apply to the Board and submit evidence that its nursing program is able to meet the standards established by the Board. If, upon investigation, the Board finds that the program meets the established standards for nursing education programs, it shall approve the applicant program.

(c) *Periodic Evaluation of Nursing Programs.* The Board shall periodically reevaluate approved nursing education programs and shall publish a list of approved programs.

(d) *Denial or Withdrawal of Approval.* The Board may deny or withdraw approval or take such action as deemed necessary when nursing education programs fail to meet the standards established by the Board, provided that all such actions shall be in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act and/or the administrative rules of the Board. A process of appeal and reinstatement shall be delineated by regulation.

(e) *Reinstatement of Approval.* The Board shall reinstate approval of a nursing education program upon submission of satisfactory evidence that its program meets the standards established by the Board.

(f) *Provisional Approval.* Provisional approval of new programs may be granted pending the licensure results of the first graduating class.

Source: PL 14-62, § 2 (2312).