

U.S. Department of Education

**Staff Report
to the
Senior Department Official
on
Recognition Compliance Issues**

RECOMMENDATION PAGE

1. **Agency:** Kansas State Board of Nursing (2007/2007)
(The dates provided are the date of initial listing as a recognized agency and the date of the agency's last grant of recognition.)
2. **Action Item:** Petition for Continued Recognition
3. **Scope of Recognition:** State agency for the approval of nurse education.
4. **Date of Advisory Committee Meeting:** December, 2011
5. **Staff Recommendation:** Grant the agency recognition for its approval of nurse education programs for a period of four years.
6. **Issues or Problems:** None.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PART I: GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE AGENCY

The Kansas State Board of Nursing is a state agency for the approval of nurse education. Recognition by the agency enables the professional nurse education programs that it approves to seek eligibility for Federal assistance pursuant to the Nurse Training Act of 1964, as amended. Recognition also allows program graduates of the agency's accredited schools to enter military service in the Nurse Officer Corps.

The agency accredits 46 prelicensure programs that include baccalaureate and associate degree nursing programs and practical nursing programs, and 8 graduate degree nursing programs that include advanced registered nurse practitioner programs, registered nurse anesthetist programs, and nurse midwife programs for a total of 54 programs approved by the Kansas State Board of Nursing.

Recognition History

The Kansas State Board of Nursing is recognized as a state agency for the approval of nurse education. The Board was granted initial recognition in 2007 for a period of two years and requested to provide an interim report addressing issues identified under sections 3(c), 3(d), 3(e)(4), 3(f)(1-2), and 3(g). Due to passage of the Higher Education Opportunity Act (effective on August 14, 2009), the agency's review was placed on hold until such time as the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity (NACIQI) was reconstituted. The agency was then requested to submit a full petition for recognition which is the subject of this analysis.

PART II: SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

The agency meets the requirements of the Secretary's Criteria for Recognition.

PART III: THIRD PARTY COMMENTS

The Department did not receive any written third-party comments regarding this agency.