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Lurelean B. Gaines, RN, MSN
Chairperson
East Los Angeles College
1301 Avenida Cesar Chavez
Monterey Park, CA 91754

Dear Mrs. Gaines:

The Board of Registered Nursing, at its September 3, 2015 meeting in Sacramento, California voted the following action:

“Place East Los Angeles College Associate Degree Nursing Program on warning status with intent to close the nursing program. The program is required to submit quarterly progress reports to the Nursing Education Consultant and return to the Education/Licensing Committee in August 2016.”

Per Board procedure implemented in June 2015, the process for identifying programs placed on Warning Status includes placing a notice on the BRN homepage in the “What’s New” section and also noting such status with the school’s name on the BRN webpage table of approved nursing programs. The notation placed with the school’s name will also be a hyperlink to a general explanation of the implications of this status (see attached copy of information page).

If further information is needed please do not hesitate to contact Laura Shainian, NEC at (310) 371-8481.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING

Miyo Minato, MN, RN
Supervising Nursing Education Consultant

cc: Laura Shainian

enc: EDP-I-36 INFORMATION: NURSING PROGRAM PLACED ON “WARNING STATUS WITH INTENT TO CLOSE THE NURSING PROGRAM”



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The Board of Registered Nursing (BRN) regulates the practice of registered nursing and certified advanced practice nurses in order to protect the public. The BRN exists to protect the health and safety of consumers and promote quality registered nursing care in California. The BRN is responsible for implementation and enforcement of the Nursing Practice Act, the laws related to nursing education, licensure, practice, and discipline.

The BRN is mandated to make approval visits (B&P Code Section 2788) of prelicensure nursing programs to ensure that Registered Nursing Programs are in compliance with the Board rules and regulations. The authority for approval visits is found in Section 2788 of the Nursing Practice Act and is further defined in Article 3 of Title 16, Chapter 14, California Code of Regulations. BRN policy is to make continuing approval site visits to approved nursing programs every five years and at any time deemed necessary.

When extensive and/or highly serious regulatory noncompliance by a nursing program is discovered the Board may place the program on “warning status, with intent to close the nursing program.” Programs placed on this status may also have intermediary restrictions imposed which can include suspension of program admission and enrollment, as well as other requirements. The program may quickly correct areas of deficiency and be restored to approved status, or if noncompliance is not corrected the Board may proceed to withdraw the program’s approval. The Board has determined that information regarding programs placed on warning status should be readily available to the public. Detailed information regarding the reason for placing the program on this status can be reviewed in the meeting materials and meeting minutes for the Board meeting of the date the program was placed on warning status. These materials can be accessed at http://www.rm.ca.gov/about_us/pastmtgs.shtml.

Additional questions regarding the program’s status can be obtained by contacting the BRN by phone at (916) 322-3350 and asking to speak to a Nursing Education Consultant, or via e-mail to NEC.BRN@dca.ca.gov (please indicate the name of the school in e-mail communication).