

BEFORE THE ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF BROOKLINE
COLLEGE, REGISTERED NURSING
PROGRAM
NO. US96500500

ISSUED TO:

Brookline College
2445 W. Dunlap Ave., Ste. 100, Phoenix, AZ
85021

RESPONDENT

DECREE OF CENSURE
CONSENT AGREEMENT
AND
ORDER NO. 210112RN96500500

The Arizona State Board of Nursing (“Board”) received allegations that Brookline College (“Respondent”) violated the Nurse Practice Act. In the interest of a prompt and speedy settlement of the above-captioned matter, consistent with the public interest, statutory requirements and the responsibilities of the Board, and pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1092.07 (F)(5), the undersigned parties enter into this Consent Agreement as a final disposition of this matter.

Based on the evidence before it, the Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent holds Board-issued program approval for a registered nursing program, operating in Phoenix, Arizona, receiving its original approval in 2010. Respondent’s last program approval was on 5/19/2017.
2. Respondent’s first-time NCLEX-RN pass rate for calendar year 2020 was 76.51%, which is under the 80% required in A.A.C. R4-19-206(G) a violation of the AZ Nurse Practice Act.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 32-1606, 32-1644, 32-1663 and 32-1664, the Board has subject matter and personal jurisdiction in this matter.

The conduct and circumstances described in the Findings of Fact constitute violations of A.R.S. § 32-1663 (D) as defined in § 32-1601(26)

(d) Any conduct or practice that is or might be harmful or dangerous to the health of a patient or the public, and (j) Violating this chapter or a rule that is adopted by the board pursuant to this chapter (effective August 9, 2017).

R4-19-206 (G). Curriculum

G. A nursing program shall maintain at least an 80% NCLEX passing rate for graduates taking the NCLEX-PN® or NCLEX-RN® for the first time within 12 months of graduation.

The conduct and circumstances described in the Findings of Fact constitute sufficient cause pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1664(O) to revoke, suspend or take other disciplinary action against Respondent's program approval to conduct a registered nursing program in the State of Arizona.

However, in lieu of a hearing, Respondent agrees to issuance of the following Order and waives all rights to a hearing, rehearing, appeal or judicial review relating to this matter. Respondent further waives any and all claims or causes of action, whether known or unknown, that Respondent may have against the State of Arizona, the Board, its members, officers, employees and/or agents arising out of this matter.

Respondent admits to the Board's Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

Respondent understands that the admissions in the Findings of Fact are conclusive evidence of a violation of the Nurse Practice Act and may be used for purposes of determining sanctions in any future disciplinary matter.

Respondent understands the right to consult legal counsel prior to entering into this Consent Agreement and such consultation has been either obtained or is waived.

Respondent understands that this Consent Agreement is effective upon its acceptance by the Board or its designee and by Respondent as evidenced by the respective signatures thereto. Respondent's signature obtained via facsimile shall have the same effect as an original signature. Once signed by Respondent, the Agreement cannot be withdrawn without the Board's approval or by stipulation between Respondent and the Board's designee. The effective date of this Order is the date the Consent Agreement is signed by Respondent and accepted by the Board or its designee.

Furthermore, and notwithstanding any language in this Consent Agreement, this Consent Agreement does not preclude in any way any other state agency or officer or political subdivision of this state from instituting proceedings, investigating claims, or taking legal action as may be appropriate now or in the future relating to this matter or other matters concerning Respondent, including but not limited to, violations of Arizona's Consumer Fraud Act. Respondent acknowledges that, other than with respect to the Board, this Consent Agreement makes no representations, implied or otherwise, about the views or intended actions of any other state agency or officer or political subdivision of the state relating to this matter or other matters concerning Respondent.

Janet Kramer

06/21/21

Signature or Approved Respondent Representative
Janet Kramer, Brookline College

Janet Kramer DNP, MSN, RN

Print the signer's name AND title

ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF NURSING



Joey Ridenour R.N. M.N. F.A.A.N.

Joey Ridenour, R.N., M.N., F.A.A.N.
Executive Director

Dated: 6/21/2021

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ORDER


In view of the above the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and the consent of Respondent, the Board hereby issues the following Order:

Transmitted this 17th day of June, 2021 via Adobe Sign to:
Janet Kramer, Brookline College: Janet.Kramer@brooklinecollege.edu

By: 
Lyn Ledbetter (Jun 17, 2021 12:28 EDT)
Lyn Ledbetter, Administrative Assistant

Fully Executed copy sent this 24 day of June, 2021 via Adobe Sign to:
Janet Kramer, Brookline College: Janet.Kramer@brooklinecollege.edu

Signed in the Board Office on 6/24/2021.

By: 
Lyn Ledbetter (Jun 24, 2021 09:34 PDT)
Lyn Ledbetter, Administrative Assistant