

**Arizona State Board of Nursing
Policy and Procedure**

POLICY NAME

Program Survey Visits with Potential Rule Violations

EFFECTIVE DATE:
September 19, 2014



Signature

REVISION DATE(s):
11/18/2016

CANCELLATION DATE

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Policy:

Nursing Program Approval and Renewal Site visits

If Board staff identify potential violations on a routine site survey visit, the program will be informed in writing of the potential deficiencies in the site visit report (inspection report) including whether the deficiencies meet criteria for a period of correction. The program shall inform the Board, within 3 days of being informed of a potential deficiencies whether the potential deficiency is likely to be remedied within 60 days of the original notification.

I. Criteria for allowing a period of correction (A.R.S. § 41-1009)

1. The program indicates it is willing and the deficiencies are correctable within 60 days
2. The program deficiencies are not intentional
3. There is no evidence of a pattern of non-compliance
4. There is no risk to any person, the public health, safety or welfare or the environment

II. Programs that qualify for a period of correction

If all the Criteria in Section I are met, the program qualifies for a period of correction. If the deficiencies are remedied within 60 days, Board staff shall notify the program within 30 days of receipt of information that the deficiencies have been remedied, whether or not they are in substantial compliance, subject to a final decision by the Board or Executive Director as detailed below.

- For **RN/LPN/APRN** and Refresher Programs: the **Education Committee** shall review the Site Visit (Inspection) Report along with the self-study and make a recommendation to the Board. The program approval decision and Education Committee recommendation will be placed on the next Board agenda.
- For **CNA** programs: Board staff will forward the inspection report for review by the Associate Director and approval by Executive Director.

III. Programs that do not qualify for a period of correction

If the criteria below are applicable to the program (A.R.S. § 41-1009 (E)), Board staff shall document in writing as part of the site visit (inspection) report that deficiencies meet the criteria below and open a complaint and prepare an Investigative Report to be presented at a Board meeting.

Criteria to not allow a period of correction (A.R.S. § 41-1009):

1. The program indicates it is not willing or not able to remedy the deficiencies within 60 days; or does not remedy the violation within 60 days.
2. The program deficiencies are intentional
3. There is evidence of a pattern of non-compliance
4. There is a risk to a person, the public health, safety or welfare or the environment

If Board staff is unsure whether the program meets the criteria for a period of correction, the Board shall, under A.R.S. § 41-1009, provide the program a 60 day period of correction.

Under A.R.S. § 41-1009 (H), the program may request, and Board staff shall provide a detailed written explanation of the reason that an opportunity to correct was not provided.