

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND
PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION
Division 2200—State Board of Nursing
Chapter 8—Minimum Standards for Approved Veteran’s Bridge
Programs of Practical Nursing**

PROPOSED RULE

20 CSR 2200-8.090 Students

PURPOSE: This rule defines the admission, readmission, and transfer criteria and services provided students.

- (1) Admission, Readmission, and Transfer.
 - (A) The educational program shall comply with the state and federal laws regarding discrimination in the admission of students.
 - (B) Policies for admission, readmission, transfer, and advanced placement shall be written, implemented, and evaluated by the faculty.
 - (C) Admission and readmission criteria shall reflect consideration of:
 1. Prior military education, training, and service as outlined in 20 CSR 2200-8.010(4)(A)5.S.
 2. Potential to complete the program; and
 3. Ability to meet the standards to apply for licensure (see sections 335.046.2, RSMo, and 335.066, RSMo).
 - (D) Policies for admission and readmission shall be stated in writing and accessible to applicants, students and faculty. Time limits for acceptance of general education credits earned during prior enrollment(s) shall be stated. Time limits for acceptance of credits related to prior military education, training, and service shall be waived. Potential to complete the program shall be reassessed prior to readmission to the program. Documented evidence shall be maintained.
 - (E) Program admission, readmission, retention, and graduation data shall be tracked. Documented evidence of such data shall be maintained.
 - (F) Students who are readmitted or transferred shall complete the same requirements for graduation as other members of the class to which they are admitted.
 - (G) The board shall approve the maximum number of students enrolled in each program. The criteria for approval of the maximum number will be based on:
 1. Availability of qualified faculty;
 2. Available clinical experiences; and
 3. Educational facility’s ability to accommodate students.
 - (H) Late admissions. No student shall be admitted later than five (5) school days after the established entrance date of the program.
 - (I) Students for whom English is a second language shall meet the same general admission requirements as other students.

(2) Student Services.

- (A) Housing. If the school provides housing for students, there shall be written policies governing the facilities.
- (B) Health. If the school provides health services for students, there shall be information available regarding a process for accessing and obtaining health care.
- (C) Academic advisement and Financial Aid Services. Academic advisement and financial aid services shall be accessible to all students. Academic advisement records shall be maintained.
- (D) Student Support Services. Support staff shall have expertise in evaluation of military transcripts. Documentation of such expertise shall be maintained.

(3) Appeal Procedure. Policies and procedures which afford students due process shall be available for managing academic and nonacademic appeals. Due process for student appeals shall include the providing of written notice of all decisions affecting an individual student. An opportunity to contest facts serving as the basis for decisions and the opportunities to appeal decisions to a higher level than the original decision maker shall be included.

AUTHORITY: sections 324.007 and 335.036, RSMo 2016, Original Rule Filed: April 14, 2017.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed rule will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed rule will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

*NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed rule with the State Board of Nursing, Lori Scheidt, Executive Director, PO Box 656, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by fax at (573) 751-0075, or via email at nursing@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the **Missouri Register**. No public hearing is scheduled.*