Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)

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PROFILE OF ACCREDITING ORGANIZATION

Accreditor types: Programmatic
Recognition Status: Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

Range of Accreditation Activity: Baccalaureate degree nursing programs, master’s degree nursing programs, Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) programs, and post-graduate APRN certificate programs that are located in colleges and universities accredited by a recognized institutional accrediting organization in the United States and its territories; as well as nurse residency and fellowship programs.

International Accreditation Activity:
0 Non-U.S. institutions or programs operating outside the U.S.
3 U.S. institutions or programs operating outside the U.S.
No Organization evaluates credentials or degrees from outside the U.S.

Sponsoring Organization: American Association of Colleges of Nursing
Composition of Decision-Making Body:
13-member board composed of chief nurse administrators (3), faculty (3), practicing nurses (3), professional consumers (2), and public consumers (2).

4,533,615 Operating Budget for Accrediting Unit Only
0 Direct support from any sponsoring organization
0 In-kind support from any sponsoring organization

Employees: 14 Full-time 0 Part-time
Volunteers: 391 - served 2020-2021

PROFILE OF ACCREDITED PROGRAMS

1,926 Accredited U.S and non-U.S. Programs

2020-2021
1,926 Degree-Granting:
884 Public
960 Private Nonprofit
82 Private For-Profit

0 Non-Degree-Granting:
0 Public
0 Private Nonprofit
0 Private For-Profit

554,380 Students

PROFILE OF ACCREDITATION ACTIVITIES

Frequency of Comprehensive Reviews and Required Follow-Up: Up to five years for programs holding initial accreditation; up to ten years for programs holding continued accreditation.

Frequency of Comprehensive Review of Accreditation Standards: Every five years, or sooner, as needed.

Summary of Formal Actions 2020-2021
n/a Initial Candidacy or Preaccreditation Granted
n/a Initial Candidacy or Preaccreditation Denied
73 Initial Accreditation Granted
1 Initial Accreditation Denied
217 Accreditation Continued Following Comprehensive Review
89 Accreditation Continued Following Comprehensive Review with Required Follow-up

Summary of Additional Actions
533 Substantive Changes Reviewed
206 Site Visits
12 Voluntary Discontinuance or Expiration of Accreditation