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## CERTIFIED MAIL

July 26, 2016  
Elizabeth Sundberg, Director  
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Antelope Valley College  
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### ***Subject: Notice of Decisions***

Dear Ms. Sundberg,

On July 22, 2016, the Executive Officer of the Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians (Board) considered the consultant's report regarding the **Antelope Valley College Vocational Nursing Program**. The following decisions were rendered.

1. Continue full approval for the Antelope Valley College Vocational Nursing Program for the four-year period from May 13, 2016, through May 12, 2020, and issue a certificate accordingly.
2. Approve the program's request to admit a class of 24 students on August 22, 2016; graduating December 9, 2017, only, to **replace** students that graduated October 19, 2015.
3. Continue to require the program to obtain Board approval prior to the admission of each class.

**Rationale** The program's current average annual pass rate is **90%**, which is **16** percentage points **above** the state average annual pass rate. As depicted in the Licensing Examination Statistics presented in the report, fluctuations in the program's average annual pass rate are, in part, related to the infrequency of graduations and, therefore, candidates for the licensure examination.

The program was found to be in compliance with regulatory requirements. In addition, the program has adequate resources to support the requested student enrollment. The program has provided a comprehensive improvement plan to address the high attrition rate.

Therefore, the recommendation is to grant continued approval of the program and to approve the requested admission.

Board staff will closely monitor performance on the licensure examination as well as attrition rates. The program will continue obtaining Board approval prior to the admission of additional students.

Enclosed please find a new certificate of approval for the Antelope Valley College Vocational Nursing Program.

Please contact me should you have questions.

Sincerely,

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