

OUT-OF-STATE/ONLINE/DISTANCE LEARNING NURSING PROGRAMS

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. Does the Hawaii State Board of Nursing “approve” out-of-state/online/distance learning post licensure nursing programs?

No, provided the nursing program does not have a campus in this State.

2. Does the Hawaii State Board of Nursing have to be notified by the out-of-state/online/distance learning post licensure nursing programs?

No.

3. Does the faculty of the out-of-state/online/distance learning post licensure nursing program have to be licensed as a nurse in Hawaii?

If the faculty is physically teaching or precepting a nursing student in this State, then yes.

4. Are graduates of an out-of-state/online/distance learning post licensure nursing program able to qualify for a Hawaii nurse license, i.e. LPN – RN, RN – BSN?

Yes, if the nursing program is nationally accredited and meets the requirements of Hawaii Revised Statutes §457-7 or §457-8 (these sections are available on the Board’s web page at cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/boards/nursing)