Staff Report and Recommendation Galen College of Nursing

Background

Galen College of Nursing, OPEID 03083700, (Galen), a new applicant for licensure, is a private, proprietary institution with a main campus located in Louisville, Kentucky. The college seeks to offer a Bachelor of Science in Nursing: Prelicensure Option (BSN), an Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN): LPN/LVN to RN Bridge Option, and an ADN: Two-Year Option at a brick-and-mortar campus in Asheville. Galen is regionally accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC). The BSN is programmatically accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education and the ADN programs are programmatically accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing. Both programmatic accreditors are recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

Galen is an affiliate of Healthcare Corporation of America. The programs under review are offered at other Galen campuses in the southeastern United States. Staff and a team of reviewers visited Galen's main campus in November 2021 and made findings regarding student record retention and the institution's proposed tuition bond. Galen adequately responded to the findings. Acting under authority delegated by the University of North Carolina Board of Governors, staff issued Galen a license in February 2022. This matter is before the Board for ratification of that action.

<u>Institutional Metrics and Consumer Protection Information</u>

Metric					
8-year outcomes ⁱ	Graduated	66%			
	Transferred Out	22%			
	Withdrew	12%			
Employment Placement Rate ⁱⁱ		Does not report – not required by accreditor			
Federal Financial Composite Score (3.0 is highest, -1.0 is lowest) ⁱⁱⁱ		2020	2019	2018	
		1.7	2.4	2.5	
Three-year cohort default rateiv		Class of 2018	Class of 2017	Class of 2016	
		7.1	8.8	8.0	

Recommendation

Issue Galen a license to conduct the postsecondary degree activity described in this recommendation.

¹ Unless otherwise noted, this is data reported by the institution to the U.S. Department of Education and includes both full and part time students and first-time and transfer-in students.

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standards and definitions. It is the most recent data available for the program under consideration.

This is a general measure of the institution's financial solvency. A score of 1.5 of greater means the institution does not face additional federal restrictions on operating because of financial solvency concerns.

^{iv} Three-year cohort default rate ("CDR") is the percentage of graduates who borrowed federal loans and who defaulted on those loans within three years of graduating. For example, a CDR for a cohort graduating in 2018 can be calculated three years later, in 2021.

<u>Staff Report and Recommendation</u> <u>Southeastern College</u>

Background

Southeastern College - Charlotte, OPEID 03555300, (Southeastern), a new applicant for licensure, is a private, proprietary institution which offers non-degree programs from a brick-and-mortar campus. It is one of five campuses under the Southeastern College umbrella. Southeastern seeks to offer an Associate Degree in Nursing, an Associate of Applied Science in Radiologic Technology, an Associate of Applied Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography, and an Associate of Applied Science in Surgical Technology. Southeastern is accredited by the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges (ACCSC).

The programs under review are offered at other Southeastern campuses. Staff and a team of reviewers visited Southeastern in December 2021 and made 14 findings regarding faculty composition, library resources, institutional finances, and the institution's conflict of interest policy. Southeastern adequately responded to the findings.

Institutional Metrics and Consumer Protection Information

Metric				
8-year outcomes ⁱ	Graduated	Not applicable for its currently operating programs. 80% of students completed their certificate programs within 150% of the program's length.		
	Transferred Out			
	Withdrew			
Employment Placement Rate ⁱⁱ		Placement rates for full-time students in the institution's certificate programs range from 36% to 81%.		
Federal Financial Composite Score (3.0 is highest, -1.0 is lowest) ⁱⁱⁱ		2020	2019	2018
		1.7	0.7	1.6
Three-year cohort default rate ^{iv}		Class of 2018	Class of 2017	Class of 2016
		16.1	18.7	13.8

Recommendation

Issue Southeastern a license to conduct the postsecondary degree activity described in this recommendation.

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