STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

June 28, 2024

SUBJECT: Public Notice of Approval of Amendment to Board of Governors

Regulation 8.008, Nursing Education

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Consider approval of amendment to Board of Governors Regulation 8.008, Nursing Education.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Board of Governors Regulation 8.008, Nursing Education, outlines requirements for administering the Linking Industry to Nursing Education (LINE) Fund and the Prepping Institutions, Programs, Employers, and Learners through Incentives for Nursing Education (PIPELINE) Fund.

During the 2024 session, the Florida Legislature passed Senate Bill 7016 which was signed into law by Governor DeSantis. The new law modifies the minimum criteria for nursing programs to be eligible for LINE funding. The law increased the minimum first-time passage rate for nursing programs on the National Council of State Boards of Nursing Licensing Examination (NCLEX) from 70 to 75 percent. The law also requires that the NCLEX passage rate be based on a minimum of 10 testing participants.

Also, during the 2024 session, the Florida Legislature passed House 917, which was signed into law by Governor DeSantis. This law repeals the Talent Development Council and shifts required reports to the Council to the Office of Reimagining Education and Career Help (REACH Office).

Board staff propose an amendment to Regulation 8.008 to align with the changes in the two new laws. The Board approved the public notice of intent to amend this regulation at the meeting on May 8, 2024. No additional public comments were received and this regulation is ready for final approval.