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- The Practical Nursing program has taken a pause from student enrollment with the recommendation of the Guam Board of Nurse Examiners this semester to work on a revamp for the practical nursing program curriculum. The focus of this momentary hiatus is to develop curriculum with a focus to increase the NCLEX-PN pass rates, change the timing of course offerings to fall in line with regular semester offerings, and integrate courses and strategies to enhance program success.
- 2) On December 20th, 19 students from the 2017 Practical Nursing Cohort successfully completed their PN requirements and conducted their pinning ceremony on the 20th of January at the Lotte Hotel Guam. The graduates have been encouraged to take the NCLEX-PN exam within sixmonths of graduation. The faculty and administration are working diligently to mentor and support them with this final step for becoming Licensed Practical Nurses. Currently we have five graduates who have recently taken the NCLEX-PN exam and have passed on their first try. The remaining completers are currently scheduled to take their exams within the next couple months. We are confident in their success and are continuing to support them.
- 3) Assisting our PN graduates to successfully pass the NCLEX-PN exam continues to remain a priority for our faculty and department. We are continuing with our efforts to update our curriculum to meet current standards and practice for nursing education and healthcare. We are determined to improve our current pass rate from 72% to 75% (the minimum requirement from the Guam Board of Nursing) or higher with the actionable improvement plans we have recently implemented for our program.
- 4) The department has been continuing with its efforts to keep in contact with our graduates regarding NCLEX and employment success or continued education. Contact updates and connections with local employers as well as the University has provided us with the opportunity to receive updates on our recent graduates as well as their progression in the community.
- 5) Guam Community College has an open door policy. Anyone has the right to apply and succeed. We are limited by the Rules and Regulations of the Guam Board of Nurse Examiners; which, as do most states, limits the number of students accepted to 10 students for each instructor.

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