Kapiʻolani Community College  
Action Request Memorandum  
September 14, 2011

To: Leon Richards, Chancellor, Kapi'olani Community College  
VIA: Patricia O’Hagan  
Dean of Health Academic Programs  
FROM: May Kealoha, Nursing Department Chair  
SUBJECT: Modification to the AS in Nursing (Transition for Licensed Practical Nurses Program) at Kapi'olani Community College

1. SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED

Approval is requested to modify the list of required courses for the AS in Nursing (Transition for Licensed Practical Nurses program). We are also requesting approval to modify the program description, program pre-requisites and student learning outcomes to align with the Hawai'i Statewide Nursing Consortium (HSNC) curriculum.

2. RECOMMENDED EFFECTIVE DATE: Fall 2012

3. PURPOSE:

The purpose of this modification is to align the AS degree in Nursing (Transition for Licensed Practical Nurses) program with the AS degree in Nursing proposed Hawai'i State Nursing Consortium (HSNC) curriculum.

4. SPECIFIED ISSUES:

The AS degree in Nursing has submitted a proposal to modify the list of required courses, modify the program description, program pre-requisites, and student learning outcomes to align with the HSNC program. These changes will also be required for the AS degree in Nursing (Transition for Licensed Practical Nurses Program).

5. BACKGROUND AND CONSEQUENCES:

The purpose of the HSNC was to develop a unified approach to nursing education which will avoid unnecessary duplication of courses, experiences or content for those students who wish to pursue a baccalaureate degree in nursing. This curriculum will streamline the delivery of nursing education and offer baccalaureate level education for nurses throughout the State. The first nursing courses for this curriculum were offered at Maui College, Kaua'i Community College, and UH Mānoa in Fall 2010. The first cohort from Maui College and Kaua'i Community College will be eligible for transfer to UH Mānoa School of Nursing Dental Hygiene (SODNH) in spring 2012. The first graduates from the baccalaureate degree level Statewide Curriculum will exit the program in spring 2013. As a member of the consortium Kapi'olani Community College Associate of Science in Nursing graduates will be able to seamlessly transfer to the baccalaureate in nursing program at UH Mānoa; once all the UH Mānoa core requirements are met AS in Nursing graduates will be automatically enrolled into the UH Mānoa Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing.
6. **ACTION RECOMMENDED:**

Approval of the revised list of required courses for the AS degree in Nursing (Transition for Licensed Practical Nurses Program), modification to the program description, modification of program prerequisites, and program student learning outcomes to align with the HSNC curriculum.