

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Consent Item
August 23, 2023

SUBJECT: Approval of Statewide Military Credit Workgroup: Nursing Education Pathway for Combat Medics Appointments

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

For Approval

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

Section 1004.096, F.S., as amended by Senate Bill (SB) 274 (2023)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Senate Bill (SB) 274 (2023) requires the Board of Governors and the State Board of Education to adopt regulations and rules to create a process to allow eligible current and former military combat medics to earn postsecondary credit or clock hours for accredited nursing education programs, which would be uniform across all Florida public postsecondary educational institutions, for college-level training and education acquired while serving as a combat medic.

The bill requires the reconvening of the Articulation Coordinating Committee (ACC) established 13-member workgroup, pursuant to s. 1004.096, F.S., from House Bill (HB) 171 (2020), Postsecondary Education for Certain Military Personnel. The established workgroup is composed of representatives from the ACC, State University System (SUS), Florida College System (FCS), district career centers and veterans appointed by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Pursuant to the legislation, the State Board action is required to approve the appointments of two new workgroup members representing district career centers. The two proposed members are:

- Mary Anne Enns, Practical Nursing Instructor, Fort Myers Technical College
- Suzanne Wilson, Practical Nursing Instructor, Riveroak Technical College

Supporting Documentation Included: Resumes for Mary Anne Enns and Suzanne Wilson

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