**20:48:07:48.  Nationally accredited nursing programs.** A nursing program that holds national accreditation status from a national nursing accrediting agency approved by the U.S. Department of Education is exempt from § 20:48:07:41 for the purpose of maintaining on-going full approval status. A program that has national accreditation shall:

 (1)  Submit to the board evidence of initial accreditation and shall submit evidence of continuing accreditation after each reaccreditation review;

 (2)  Submit to the board any report from a national accrediting agency citing deficiencies or recommendations at the time the report is received by the nursing program;

 (3)  Notify the board within ten days of any change in accreditation status;

 (4)  Continue to maintain on-going approval status with the board upon receipt and review of the documents required in subdivisions (1) and (2) unless otherwise notified by the Board; and

 (5)  Be subject to an on-site visit at the discretion of the board in accordance with this chapter.

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