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Memorandum

To: All Interested Parties

From: Barbara Ju, MPH, RN, NE-BC
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Re: CNA2 Certificate of Completion

This memo is regarding a new process step that was approved by the Board regarding CNA2 designation at the September 15, 2022, Board meeting.

According to OAR 851-061-0090(4), to become a CNA2 in Oregon, an individual must complete a Board approved CNA2 education program. There is no state certification exam associated with obtaining a CNA2 designation; it is obtained through additional education only.

CNA2 education programs are required to submit to the Oregon State Board of Nursing (OSBN) a "CNA2 Course Summary Report" listing all students who have successfully completed the CNA2 education program. This CNA2 education completion information is then entered into the CNA2 Registry by an OSBN licensing technician. The turnaround time for OSBN to enter this education information can vary from days to weeks, as seen during the COVID-19 Pandemic. This delay has led to dissatisfaction from program directors and students stating the delay can and has impacted employment offers.

To address this inherent delay, the Board granted approval for education programs to issue a certificate of completion to students who successfully complete the required education and competency validation. This certificate of completion is designed to serve as a real-time proof to all interested parties including employers and potential employers that the individual has successfully completed the required education and competency validation until the CNA2 status can be verified through the OSBN license verification website.

Questions:

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