

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
EDUCATION SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
Wednesday, February 11, 2026**

Department of Health Professions – Perimeter Center
9960 Mayland Drive, Conference Center 201 – **Board Room 4**
Henrico, Virginia 23233

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Education Special Conference Committee was convened at 9: a.m. in Suite 201, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Second Floor, Board Room 4 Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS Carol Cartte, RN, BSN, Chair
PRESENT: Jodi Zehr, RN
STAFF Jacquelyn Wilmoth, MSN, RN, Deputy Executive director
PRESENT: Calisa Barley, RN, BS, Nursing Education Program Manager
Christine Smith, MSN, RN, Nurse Aide/RMA Education Program Manager

Florence Nightingale College – Front Royal – Medication Aide Training Program, 0030000296

No representatives for the program were present.

ACTION: Ms. Zehr moved to recommend to withdraw approval of the medication aide training program at Florence Nightingale College, Front Royal.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the Board on March 24, 2026.

Thomasine Training Center – Petersburg – Medication Aide Training Program, 0030000044

No representatives for the program were present.

ACTION: Ms. Zehr moved to recommend to withdraw approval of the medication aide training program at Thomasine Training Center, Petersburg.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the Board on March 24, 2026.

Norfolk Allied Training Center – Norfolk – Medication Aide Training Program, 0030000293

No representatives for the program were present.

ACTION: Ms. Zehr moved to recommend to withdraw approval of the medication aide training program at Norfolk Allied Training Center, Norfolk.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the Board on March 24, 2026.

**Titan Healthcare Academy – Alexandria – Medication Aide Training Program,
0030000342**

No representatives for the program were present.

ACTION: Ms. Zehr moved to recommend to withdraw approval of the medication aide training program at Titan Healthcare Academy, Alexandria.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the Board on March 24, 2026.

**Helping Hearts Recover – Portsmouth – Medication Aide Training Program,
0030000326**

No representatives for the program were present.

ACTION: Ms. Zehr moved to recommend to withdraw approval of the medication aide training program at Helping Hearts Recover, Portsmouth.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the Board on March 24, 2026.

**Global Educational Institute – Arlington – Nurse Aide Education Program,
1414100780**

Gloria Agwaze, Administrator, and John Agwaze, President were present to represent the program.

Ms. Zehr moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A) (27) of the Code of Virginia at 11:09 a.m. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Global Educational Institute, Nurse Aide Education Program. Additionally, Ms. Zehr moved that Ms. Wilmoth, Ms. Smith, and Mr. Timberlake attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. The Committee reconvened in open session at 11:35 a.m.

Ms. Zehr moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

ACTION: Ms. Zehr moved to recommend to withdraw approval of the nurse aide education program at Global Educational Institute.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the Board on March 24, 2026.

Mountain Gateway Community College – Clifton Forge – Registered Nursing Education Program, US28406700

Cathy Hiler, DNP, RN Program Director, Ben Worth, Vice President, Academics were present to represent the program. The program was represented by counsel.

Ms. Zehr moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A) (27) of the Code of Virginia at 2:56 p.m. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mountain Gateway Community College, Registered Nursing Education Program. Additionally, Ms. Zehr moved that Ms. Wilmoth, Ms. Barley, and Mr. Manino attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. The Committee reconvened in open session at 3:58 p.m.

Ms. Zehr moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

ACTION:

Ms. Zehr moved to recommend to continue the associate degree education program on conditional approval with terms.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the Board on March 24, 2026.

Discussion Guidance Document 90-8

The committee discussed potential amendments to Guidance Document 90-8 based on public comment. Recommended changes will be presented the full Board for its consideration.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.