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TO: Committee on Academic Policy and Programs

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AGENDA ITEM: 3

ITEM IDENTIFICATION:

Proposal for the closure of the Master of Nursing (Nurse Practitioner Field) Concurrent Diploma in Anaesthesia Care (GDipNPAC) and the Post-Master of Nursing (Nurse Practitioner Field) Diploma in Anaesthesia Care (GDipNPAC), Lawrence S. Bloomberg Faculty of Nursing

JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

The Committee on Academic Policy and Programs approves the closure of diploma programs (*AP&P Terms of Reference, Section 4.4.b.ii*)

GOVERNANCE PATH:

- 1. Committee on Academic Policy and Programs [for Approval] (September 20, 2016)**

PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

The proposal to close the Master of Nursing (Nurse Practitioner Field) Concurrent Diploma in Anaesthesia Care (GDipNPAC) and the Post-Master of Nursing (Nurse Practitioner Field) Diploma in Anaesthesia Care (GDipNPAC), received approval from the Faculty Council of the Lawrence S. Bloomberg Faculty of Nursing on June 29, 2016.

HIGHLIGHTS:

This is a proposal is to close the two diploma offerings in Anaesthesia Care in the Faculty of Nursing. The diplomas were originally approved in 2010 as a concurrent diploma for students in the Master of Nursing degree program in the Nurse Practitioner Field and as a post-master diploma for Nurse Practitioners who had already completed their Master of Nursing in the Nurse Practitioner Field.

The diplomas were developed to meet an anticipated gap in service in anaesthesia care, palliative care and pain teams, however, the anticipated gap did not materialize and enrolment in the diplomas has been very low as there is no demand for the diploma training. There are currently no students in either diploma and the three graduates of the diploma completed the program by 2013. Admissions to the diplomas were administratively suspended in the winter of 2013.

Before making the decision to close the diplomas the Faculty of Nursing consulted with clinical partner nurse leaders and all agreed that there was no demand for the diploma and no anticipated demand. In response, the Faculty of Nursing wishes to formally close the diplomas in order to more accurately represent its offering internally and externally.

As there are currently no students in either diploma, the Faculty proposes that the diplomas formally close on December 31, 2016.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There are no financial implications to the closure of the diplomas. There is currently no enrolment and there has been no faculty or staff resources dedicated to this program since the last students graduated in 2013.

RECOMMENDATION:

BE IT RESOLVED

THAT the proposed closure of the Master of Nursing (Nurse Practitioner Field) Concurrent Diploma in Anaesthesia Care (GDipNPAC) and the Post-Master of Nursing (Nurse Practitioner Field) Diploma in Anaesthesia Care (GDipNPAC), to which admissions has been suspended, as described in the attached proposal from the Lawrence S. Bloomberg Faculty of Nursing dated April 6, 2016, be approved, with an anticipated program closure date of December 31, 2016.

DOCUMENTATION PROVIDED:

Proposal for the closure of the Master of Nursing (Nurse Practitioner Field) Concurrent Diploma in Anaesthesia Care (GDipNPAC) and Post-Master of Nursing (Nurse Practitioner Field) Diploma in Anaesthesia Care (GDipNPAC).