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Letter of Decision: Approved MSN new program application Phase II.

Dear Dr. Branson:

The Washington State Board of Nursing (BON) Nursing Program Approval Panel (Panel) met on February 15, 2024, to review Western Washington University's MSN new program application Phase II.

The Panel approved the MSN new program application Phase II.

The program is approved to begin MSN new program application Phase III.

The first progress report is due **September 30, 2024**.

Thank you for your continued commitment to quality nursing education in Washington State!

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Gerianne Babbo at 360-791-4607 or by email at gerianne.babbo@doh.wa.gov, or Dr. Sarah Bear at 360-489-5693 or by email at sarah.bear@doh.wa.gov, or Dr. Kathy Bay at 360-878-7561 or by email at kathy.bay@doh.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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Washington State Department of Health

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