



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission  
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Dr. Sheila Smith, ARNP, FAANP  
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**Letter of Decision: Accept Substantive Change Request to add the FNP and PMHNP Post Graduate Certificates**

Dear Dr. Smith:

The Washington State Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission Nursing Program Approval Panel (Panel) met on July 20, 2017 to review Pacific Lutheran University's Substantive Change Request to add the Family Nurse Practitioner and Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse practitioner post graduate certificates.

The Panel approved of Pacific Lutheran University's Substantive Change Request to add the Family Nurse Practitioner and Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner post graduate certificates. The panel looks forward to information to be provided August 2017 as requested in the December 2016 letter.

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

Please contact me with any questions at 360-236-4745.

Sincerely,

Mindy Schaffner, PhD, MSN- CNS, RN  
Associate Director Nursing Education, Licensing, & Research

cc: President  
Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs.