

**Statement of Reasons for Amendment of
Title 5, California Code of Regulations, Sections
40050.2, 40100.1, 40513, 40514 and 41021**

With the passage Assembly Bill 422, *California State University: Doctor of Nursing Practice Degree Program* (Arambula) in 2017, California Education Code Sections 89280 and 89281 eliminated four features of the 2010 legislation that temporarily authorized the CSU to award Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degrees:

1. Temporary pilot status, which was to expire on July 1, 2018;
2. The limitation to only three campuses operating DNP programs;
3. The restriction to admitting only applicants with earned master's degrees in nursing; and
4. The legislative reporting requirement for DNP programs.

This item proposes the following Title 5 changes to bring administrative law into alignment with California Education Code regarding CSU DNP programs.

1. Amend DNP degree-granting authority in section 40050.2 to remove reference to pilot authority for three programs;
2. Update Education Code sections specified in the "Reference" citations in section 40100.1;
3. Amend section 40513 to expand the scope of CSU DNP programs to include post-baccalaureate pathways, and update the Education Code sections specified in the "Authority" and "Reference" citations;
4. Update Education Code sections specified in the "Authority" and "Reference" citations in section 40514; and
5. Amend section 41021 to allow the admission of post-baccalaureate DNP applicants who hold nursing bachelor's degrees.