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Graduate Studies Committee
University of Delaware
College of Health and Nursing Sciences
Department of Nursing
McDowell Hall
Newark, DE 19716

Dear Graduate Studies Committee and Faculty Senate,

The Masters of Science in Nursing (MSN) program at Thomas Jefferson University (TJU), Jefferson College of Health Professions offers a Neonatal Nurse Practitioner (NNP) program on the campus of TJU. The Thomas Jefferson University Neonatal Education Consortium (NEC), a federally funded Health Resources and Services Administration grant, provides an NNP program curriculum in collaboration with University of Delaware, and The College of New Jersey. University of Delaware MSN students who are accepted into the NNP program through the University of Delaware will be allowed to complete their NNP specialty course work at Thomas Jefferson University after completion or concurrent completion of the MSN core curriculum for the University of Delaware Nursing Program. Thomas Jefferson University assures the Faculty Senate that University of Delaware MSN students will be provided with every opportunity to complete their MSN degree program in the NNP specialty here in Philadelphia, PA.

University of Delaware and Thomas Jefferson University have collaborated successfully in the past in providing medical education for Delaware residents, and the Neonatal Education Consortium is another example of successful collaboration between our two Universities to provide excellence in health care throughout Delaware and Pennsylvania. We look forward to a long and successful partnership in educating the healthcare professionals of the future.

Sincerely,

James Erdmann, PhD

Dean

Jefferson College of Health Professions

Mary & Schaal, RN, EdD Chair, Nursing Department

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