Subject Matter Expert Review TAACCCT Grant: *Building Nursing Pathways* Findings & Report

The purpose of the subject matter expert review process is to assure the quality of materials developed and used at Bellingham Technical College under the *Building Nursing Pathways* grant (Trade Adjustment Assistance and Community College Career Training, Employment and Training Administration, United States Department of Labor).

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1. Synopsis of Findings:

The report gave a very good overview of the grant, BTC, BTC's nursing program and technologies both at BTC in general and also the nursing program. The report included recruitment, retention and career support. I think overall the report is very well done. There are many services for the nursing students at BTC and I believe it was explained very well.

2. Content Strengths:

The content strengths include understandable descriptions of all of the services. The report is very organized and easy to follow. The content areas were described well. They did not go into too much detail.

3. Areas for Improvement:

Typo under Career support on page 9 first sentence. There was a general statement in the conclusion about enhancing capacity and suggestion that measures have been effective. I think it would be stronger with numbers. Did enrollment increase? By how much...etc.

4. Other Observations:

There is a huge push in nursing to increase the numbers of BSN graduates to 80% by 2020. Do you have a DTA for nursing yet at BTC? If so that might be mentioned.

I think it is wonderful that there are so many services available to students. Good for you all!!!

Signature of Subject Matter Expert: 1000 Date: _____8/29/2016_____

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