



ACCREDITATION ACTIONS
- ANNOUNCEMENT -

August 2, 2023

Semi-Annual Council Meeting
July 14-15, 2023

The Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE) is the agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education (USDE) and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) for the accreditation of Doctor of Chiropractic degree programs. CCE is also a member of the Association of Specialized and Professional Accreditors (ASPA) and the CHEA International Quality Group (CIQG). CCE seeks to ensure the quality of chiropractic education in the United States by means of accreditation, educational improvement and public information. CCE develops accreditation criteria to assess how effectively programs or institutions plan, implement and evaluate their mission and goals, program objectives, inputs, resources and outcomes of their chiropractic programs.

The following are final accreditation actions taken by the Council at its Semi-Annual Meeting:

Doctor of Chiropractic Degree Programs

Continued Accreditation – The process for continued accreditation begins with the program providing a letter of intent to seek continued accreditation with CCE. Approximately 12 months later, the program provides the Council with their Self-Study Report (self-assessment of their program based on the current CCE Accreditation Standards). A peer review site visit is conducted at the program to verify and validate the information presented in the self-study report. Lastly, the Council reviews the self-study report, the program response to the site visit report and meets with program representatives in a status review meeting where the Council determines if the program meets the Standards and subsequently makes a decision to continue, defer or revoke accreditation of the program and/or impose sanctions, if applicable.

Logan University - College of Chiropractic
1851 Schoettler Road, Chesterfield, MO 63017
Clay McDonald, D.C., M.B.A., J.D., President
Accreditation Action: Continued

Bases and reasons for decision: The Council reviewed all materials related to the accreditation process, including the self-study, site team report, and the program's response regarding the CCE Accreditation Standards (and applicable policies), and determined the program meets all the standards for accreditation (Sections 2.A-K.), to include, mission, planning, and program effectiveness; ethics/integrity; governance/administration; resources; faculty; student support services; student admissions; curriculum, competencies, and outcomes assessment; research and scholarship; service; and distance/correspondence education, with no further reporting required at this time.

Next Accreditation Activity: Program Characteristics Report, Spring 2025; Interim Site Visit, Spring 2027
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Spring 2031

Award Initial Accreditation - The process for initial accreditation begins with the program submitting an application, which includes; a letter of intent to seek accreditation with CCE and evidence of the requirements of eligibility (based on the respective CCE Standards). Following approval, the Council establishes timelines for the program regarding the self-study report, peer review site visit and status review meeting where the Council determines if the program meets the Standards and subsequently makes a decision to award, defer or deny accreditation of the program.

NONE

Initial Accreditation Application - The process for initial accreditation begins with the program submitting an application, which includes; a letter of intent to seek accreditation with CCE and evidence of the requirements of eligibility (based on the respective CCE Standards). Following review, the Council determines if further documentation is required or establishes timelines for the program regarding the self-study report, peer review site visit and status review meeting.

NONE

Interim Site Visits - Interim Site Visits are conducted midway through the accreditation cycle of a program and focus on specific elements of the CCE Accreditation Standards, to include; program effectiveness, student learning outcomes and meta-competencies. This visit also provides an opportunity for dialogue and collegiality between the program and the Council. The Council reviews the program interim report, the response to the site visit report and meets with program representatives (optional) in a progress review meeting where the Council determines if the program meets the Standards and subsequently makes a decision to continue, defer or revoke accreditation of the program and/or impose sanctions, if applicable.

Texas Chiropractic College
5912 Spencer Highway, Pasadena, TX 77505
Stephen Foster, D.C., President
Accreditation Action: Continued

Bases and reasons for decision: The Council reviewed all materials related to the Interim Site Visit review regarding the CCE Accreditation Standards (and applicable policies) and determined that the program meets the standards for accreditation in program effectiveness (Standard 2.A.3), student achievement (Standard 2.A.4), assessment of learning outcomes and curricular effectiveness (Standard 2.H.2), and distance/correspondence education (Standard 2.K.1-2), with no further reporting required at this time.

Next Accreditation Activity: Program Characteristics Report, Spring 2025; Self-Study Report, Fall 2026
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Spring 2027

Program Characteristics Reports (PCRs) - PCRs are submitted by programs every 4 years and in-between their comprehensive and interim site visit schedule. These reports are required as one of the reporting requirements the Council utilizes to continue its monitoring and reevaluation of its accredited programs, at regularly established intervals, to ensure the programs remain in compliance with the CCE Accreditation Standards in accordance with US Department of Education (USDOE) and Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) criteria. The Council reviews the report in a progress review meeting where the Council determines if the program meets the Standards and subsequently makes a decision to continue, defer or revoke accreditation of the program and/or impose sanctions, if applicable.

Life University – College of Chiropractic
1269 Barclay Circle, Marietta, GA 30060
Robert Scott, Ph.D., D.C., President
Accreditation Action: Continued w/Warning

Bases and reasons for decision: The Council reviewed all materials related to the Program Characteristics Report (PCR) regarding the CCE Accreditation Standards and applicable policies and determined that the program meets the standards and policies for accreditation related to the program completion rate threshold and publication (Standards, Section 2.A.4 & CCE Policy 56), planning (Section 2.A.2), finances (Section 2.D.1), and research and scholarship (Section 2.I.1). However, the Council initiated one (1) area of concern for noncompliance within Section 2.A.4 & CCE Policy 56 regarding the licensing exam success rate, which requires further reporting.

In accordance with the CCE Accreditation Standards, Section 1.V, *Noncompliance Actions*, when the Council determines that a DCP is not in compliance with CCE Standards, including eligibility and accreditation requirements, and policies and related procedures, the Council may apply any of the following actions; Warning,

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Probation, Show Cause Order, or Denial/Revocation. Therefore, the Council has determined that the DCP is in noncompliance with Standards, Section 2.A.4 and CCE Policy 56, and **imposed a sanction of Warning** upon LUCC.

Next Accreditation Activity: Progress Report, May 31, 2024; Interim Site Visit, Spring 2025

Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Spring 2029

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Universidad Central del Caribe – Doctor of Chiropractic Program
PO Box 60327, Bayamon, PR 00960
Waleska Crespo-Rivera, DrPH, MHSA, President
Accreditation Action: Continued

Bases and reasons for decision: The Council reviewed all materials related to the Program Characteristics Report regarding the CCE accreditation standards (and applicable policies) and determined that the program meets the standards for accreditation in; planning (Section 2.A.2); finances (Section 2.D.1); and research and scholarship (Section 2.I.1), with no further reporting required at this time.

Next Accreditation Activity: Self-Study Report, Fall 2024

Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Spring 2025

Progress Reports - Progress reports are submitted as requested by the Council and may address; 1) previously identified areas of noncompliance with accreditation requirements, or, 2) areas that require monitoring. The Council reviews the report in a progress review meeting with program representatives (if necessary). The Council determines if the program meets the Standards and subsequently makes a decision to continue, defer or revoke accreditation of the program and/or impose sanctions, if applicable.

Universidad Central del Caribe – Doctor of Chiropractic Program
PO Box 60327, Bayamon, PR 00960
Waleska Crespo-Rivera, DrPH, MHSA, President
Accreditation Action: Continued

Bases and reasons for decision: The Council reviewed all materials provided in the progress report regarding the CCE Accreditation Standards (and applicable policies). The Council appreciates the information provided by UCCDCP, which demonstrated the achievement of the MCOs for the 2022 graduating cohort. The Council determined that the program provided the information requested by the Council in its July 20, 2021 letter and meets the standards for accreditation regarding the assessment of learning outcomes (Standards, Section 2.H.2), with no further reporting required at this time.

Next Accreditation Activity: Self-Study Report, Fall 2024

Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Spring 2025

Program Change Reports – Program Change applications are submitted at the discretion of programs as defined within CCE Policy 1, Section A. Programs are required to describe how the program plans to continue to meet the requirements of the applicable CCE Standards while implementing the change in the areas identified within CCE Policy 1, Section B. The Council reviews the application and meets with program representatives (if necessary) where the Council determines if the program meets the Standards and subsequently makes a decision to accept the application and approve the program change, defer action and request additional information or deny approval of the program change (with no effect on the program’s current accreditation).

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Life Chiropractic College West
25001 Industrial Boulevard, Hayward, CA 94545
Ronald Oberstein, D.C., President

Accreditation Action: Approved Program Change Application for Additional Educational Site (AES) in Bellevue, NE

Bases and reasons for decision: The Council reviewed all materials provided in the program change application in accordance with the CCE Accreditation Standards and CCE Policy 1, *Program Changes Requiring Notification and/or Reporting*, Section B, and determined that the program met the application requirements to implement the AES regarding the clinical site(s) and total credit hours offered at the additional location (Section B.1); approval of the AES by the program's board, institutional accreditor, and state authorization agency (Section B.2. B.3 and B.4); implementation timeline (Section B.5); description of the physical/learning resources required to support the AES (Section B.6); current faculty and hiring plans for additional faculty (Section B.7); processes to monitor and evaluate didactic and clinical instruction and the program (Section B.8); overview of student enrollment (Section B.9); and the operational financial plans for the AES (Section B.10).

Next Accreditation Activity: Program Characteristics Report, Spring 2024; AES Progress Report, June 1, 2024; Self-Study Report, Fall 2025

Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Spring 2026

NOTE: In accordance with CCE Policy 22, the program may only use the following statement when describing its status publicly (to include the program's/institution's official website):

"The Doctor of Chiropractic degree program at the additional educational site in Bellevue, Nebraska for Life Chiropractic College West (LCCW) is currently engaged in the process of seeking programmatic accreditation by the Council on Chiropractic Education, 10105 E. Via Linda, Suite 103-3642, Scottsdale, Arizona 85258, Phone: (480) 443-8877, Website: www.cce-usa.org. During this application process, the additional educational site does not hold accredited status with the agency, nor does the agency ensure eventual accreditation."

Chiropractic Residency Programs

Continued Accreditation – The process for continued accreditation begins with the program providing a letter of intent to seek continued accreditation with CCE. Approximately 12 months later, the program provides the Council with their Self-Study Report (self-assessment of their program based on the current CCE Residency Accreditation Standards). A peer review site visit is conducted at the program to verify and validate the information presented in the self-study report. Lastly, the Council reviews the self-study report, the program response to the site visit report and conducts a status review meeting where the Council determines if the program meets the Standards and subsequently makes a decision to continue, defer or revoke accreditation of the program and/or impose sanctions, if applicable.

NONE

Award Initial Accreditation - The process for initial accreditation begins with the program submitting an application, which includes; a letter of intent to seek accreditation with CCE and evidence of the requirements of eligibility (based on the current CCE Residency Accreditation Standards). Following approval, the Council establishes timelines for the program regarding the self-study report, peer review site visit and status review meeting where the Council determines if the program meets the Standards and subsequently makes a decision to award, defer or deny accreditation of the program.

NONE

Initial Accreditation Application - The process for initial accreditation begins with the program submitting an application, which includes; a letter of intent to seek accreditation with CCE and evidence of the requirements of eligibility (based on the current CCE Residency Accreditation Standards). Following review, the Council determines if further documentation is required or establishes timelines for the program regarding the self-study report, peer review site visit and status review meeting.

NONE

Program Interim Reports (PIRs) - PIRs are submitted by programs midway through the program's accreditation cycle. The interim report focuses on specific elements of the CCE Residency Accreditation Standards, to include; mission/purpose, program effectiveness, and program outcomes. These reports are required as one of the reporting requirements the Council utilizes to continue its monitoring and reevaluation of its accredited programs, at regularly established intervals, to ensure the programs remain in compliance with the CCE Accreditation Standards in accordance with US Department of Education (USDOE) and Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) criteria. The Council reviews the report in a progress review meeting where the Council determines if the program meets the Standards and subsequently makes a decision to continue, defer or revoke accreditation of the program and/or impose sanctions, if applicable.

VA Connecticut Healthcare System
950 Campbell Avenue, West Haven, CT 06516
Anthony Lisi, D.C., Chiropractic Residency Director
Accreditation Action: Continued

Bases and reasons for decision: The Council reviewed all materials related to the residency program interim report regarding the CCE residency accreditation standards (and applicable policies) and determined that the program meets the standards for accreditation in mission/purpose and program effectiveness (Standards, Section 2.A), with no further reporting required at this time.

Next Accreditation Activity: Self-Study Report, Spring 2026
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Fall 2026

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