



COUNCIL ON CHIROPRACTIC EDUCATION®
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ACCREDITATION ACTIONS
- ANNOUNCEMENT -

February 8, 2016

Annual Council Meeting
January 15-16, 2016

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 accreditation of programs leading to the Doctor of Chiropractic (DC) degree and single-purpose institutions offering the Doctor of Chiropractic Program. 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 CCE is also a member of the Association of Specialized and Professional Accreditors (ASPA) and the CHEA International Quality Group (CIQG).

In accordance with USDE and CHEA requirements, the following are the accreditation actions taken by the Council at its Annual Meeting:

Reaffirmation of Accreditation (8-Year Cycle) – *The process for reaffirmation of 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 reaffirm, defer or revoke the accreditation status of the program and/or impose sanctions.*

Palmer College of Chiropractic
1000 Brady Street
Davenport, IA 52803

Branch Campuses

- 4777 City Center Parkway, Port Orange, FL 32129
- 90 East Tasman Drive, San Jose, CA 95134

Dennis Marchiori, D.C., Ph.D., Chancellor
Accreditation Action: Reaffirmation
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Fall 2023

Interim Site Visits - *Interim Site Visits are conducted midway through the accreditation cycle of a program and focus on the major elements of the CCE Accreditation Standards, to include; planning, assessment, finance, faculty, distance/correspondence education and 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 in a progress review meeting where the Council determines if the program meets the Standards and subsequently makes a decision to reaffirm, defer or revoke the accreditation status of the program and/or impose sanctions, if applicable.*

Texas Chiropractic College
5912 Spencer Highway
Pasadena, TX 77505
Larry C. Johnson, Interim President
Accreditation Action: Continued
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Fall 2019

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 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 where the Council determines if the program meets the Standards and subsequently makes a decision to award, defer or deny the accreditation status of the program.*

No applications for initial accreditation were submitted for review at this meeting.

Program Characteristics Reports (PCRs) - *PCRs are submitted by programs every 4 years and in-between their reaffirmation 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.*

Life University
College of Chiropractic
1269 Barclay Circle
Marietta, GA 30060
Guy F. Riekeman, D.C., President
Accreditation Action: Continued
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Spring 2021

University of Bridgeport
College of Chiropractic
30 Hazel Avenue
Bridgeport, CT 06601
Michael A. Ciolfi, D.C., MBA, DBA
Accreditation Action: Continued
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Spring 2018

Progress Reports - *Progress reports are submitted as requested by the Council and may address any of the following, 1) previously identified areas of non-compliance with accreditation requirements, 2) areas of concern arising from review of the program PCR, or 3) additional information/updates required from the program.*

The Council conducted review of two (2) progress reports.

Program Enrollment & Admissions Reports (PEARs) - *PEARs are annual reports submitted by programs at the end of each calendar year. These reports are required by the Council to monitor the overall growth of its accredited programs, in accordance with US Department of Education (USDOE) criteria, as well as review of program admission requirements/data in accordance with CCE policies and procedures.*

The Council conducted reviews of the following (15) program/institution PEARs with no further action/reporting required (listed alphabetically):

Cleveland Chiropractic College, Overland Park, KS
D'Youville College – Doctor of Chiropractic Program, Buffalo, NY
Life Chiropractic College West, Hayward, CA
Life University – College of Chiropractic, Marietta, GA
Logan University - College of Chiropractic, Chesterfield, MO
So. Calif. University of Health Sciences - Los Angeles College of Chiropractic, Whittier, CA
National University of Health Sciences, Lombard, IL & Pinellas Park, FL
New York Chiropractic College, Seneca Falls, NY
Northwestern Health Sciences University - College of Chiropractic, Bloomington, MN
Palmer College of Chiropractic, Davenport, IA; San Jose, CA & Port Orange, FL
Parker University – College of Chiropractic, Dallas, TX
Sherman College of Chiropractic, Spartanburg, SC
Texas Chiropractic College, Pasadena, TX
University of Bridgeport – College of Chiropractic, Bridgeport, CT
University of Western States – College of Chiropractic, Portland, OR

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