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 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 the accreditation actions taken by the Council at its Semi-Annual Meeting:

Doctor of Chiropractic Degree Programs

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 accreditation of the program and/or impose sanctions, if applicable.

D'Youville College – Doctor of Chiropractic Program
320 Porter Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14201
Maureen Finney, Ed.D., Interim Executive Director
Accreditation Action: Reaffirmation

Bases and reasons for decision: The Council reviewed all materials related to the accreditation process, to include, 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, program effectiveness, ethics and integrity, governance/administration, physical/financial resources, faculty, student support services, admissions, curriculum/competencies and outcomes assessment, research/scholarship, service and distance education.

Next Accreditation Activity: Program Characteristics Report, Fall 2021
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Fall 2027
Award Initial Accreditation (4-Year Cycle) - 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.

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.

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.

Logan University – College of Chiropractic
1851 Schoettler Road, Chesterfield, MO 63017
Clay McDonald, D.C., MBA, J.D., President
Accreditation Action:  Continued

Bases and reasons for decision: The Council reviewed all materials related to the Interim Site Visit Report regarding the CCE Accreditation Standards (and applicable policies) and determined the program meets the standards for accreditation in program effectiveness (Standard 2.A.3), student achievement (Standard 2.A.4 and CCE Policy 56), and distance/correspondence education (Standard 2.K.1). However, identified weaknesses that would benefit from improvement regarding the curricular objectives (Standard 2.H.2) will be monitored through further reporting.

Next Accreditation Activity: Program Characteristics Report, Spring 2021
Next Comprehensive Site Visit:  Spring 2023

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. 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 (Probation)
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 licensing exam success rate thresholds and finances, with no further reporting required in these areas. The Council also reviewed the new information provided in the Program Characteristics Report regarding the critical review of associated student information system policies and procedures which identified “systems issues, data governance issues and data integrity issues.” Therefore, during the upcoming focused site visit, the team will also review/verify these areas in concert with the information requested regarding program completion rates (CCE Policy 56).

Next Accreditation Activity: Progress Report, August 2019; Focused Site Visit, Fall 2019
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Spring 2021

National University of Health Sciences
Doctor of Chiropractic Medicine Program
200 East Roosevelt Road, Lombard, IL 60148

Additional Educational Site
- 7200 66th Street North, Pinellas Park, FL 33781
Joseph P. D. Stiefel, Ed.D., D.C., 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 licensing exam success rate thresholds, program completion rate thresholds, and finances, with no further reporting required.

Next Accreditation Activity: Interim Site Visit, Fall 2021
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Fall 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 and meets with program representatives (if necessary) 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

Substantive Change Reports – Substantive 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 substantive change, defer action and request additional information or deny approval of the substantive change (with no effect on the program’s current accreditation).

None

Chiropractic Residency Programs

Reaffirmation of Accreditation (6-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 Residency Accreditation Standards). A peer review site visit is conducted at the program to verify and validate
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...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 reaffirm, 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., Program Director
Accreditation Action: Reaffirmation

Bases and reasons for decision: The Council reviewed all materials related to the accreditation process, to include, the self-study, site team report and the program’s response regarding the CCE Residency Accreditation Standards (and applicable policies), and determined the program meets all the standards for accreditation (Sections 2.A-J), to include, mission/purpose, program effectiveness, ethics/integrity, governance/administration, facilities/resources, faculty, resident support services, resident selection, curriculum, clinical training and competencies, duty hours and completion designation.

Next Accreditation Activity: Interim Report, Fall 2022
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Fall 2025

VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System
11301 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90073
Valerie Johnson, D.C., Program Director
Accreditation Action: Reaffirmation

Bases and reasons for decision: The Council reviewed all materials related to the accreditation process, to include, the self-study, site team report and the program’s response regarding the CCE Residency Accreditation Standards (and applicable policies), and determined the program meets all the standards for accreditation (Sections 2.A-J), to include, mission/purpose, program effectiveness, ethics/integrity, governance/administration, facilities/resources, faculty, resident support services, resident selection, curriculum, clinical training and competencies, duty hours and completion designation.

Next Accreditation Activity: Interim Report, Spring 2022
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Spring 2025

VA St. Louis Health Care System
1 Jefferson Barracks Drive, St. Louis, MO 63125
Pamela Wakefield, D.C., Program Director
Accreditation Action: Reaffirmation

Bases and reasons for decision: The Council reviewed all materials related to the accreditation process, to include, the self-study, site team report and the program’s response regarding the CCE Residency Accreditation Standards (and applicable policies), and determined the program meets all the standards for accreditation (Sections 2.A-J), to include, mission/purpose, program effectiveness, ethics/integrity, governance/administration, facilities/resources, faculty, resident support services, resident selection, curriculum, clinical training and competencies, duty hours and completion designation.

Next Accreditation Activity: Interim Report, Spring 2022
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Spring 2025
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