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- ANNOUNCEMENT -
January 31, 2020
Annual Council Meeting
January 10-11, 2020

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 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.

Texas Chiropractic College
5912 Spencer Highway, Pasadena, TX 77505
Stephen Foster, D.C., President
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 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. This indicates that the program has no deficiencies that compromise the overall program integrity. However, an identified weakness that would benefit from improvement in quality patient care (Standards, Section 2.H.3) will be monitored through further reporting.

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

Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College
6100 Leslie Street, Toronto, ON, Canada, M2H 3J1
David Wickes, D.C., President
Accreditation Action: Approved*

*The Doctor of Chiropractic degree program at the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College (CMCC) is currently engaged in the process of seeking programmatic accreditation by the Council on Chiropractic Education, 8049 North 85th Way, Scottsdale, AZ, 85258-4321, Phone: (480)443-8877, Website: www.cce-usa.org. During this application process, the program does not hold accredited status with the agency, nor does the agency ensure eventual accreditation.

Bases and reasons for decision: The Council reviewed all materials provided in the initial application in accordance with the CCE Accreditation Standards, Section 1.II.A.2, Requirements for Eligibility, and determined the program met the eligibility requirements identified in Sections a-j. Based on this conclusion, the Council has established a timeline for the DCP’s self-study report, followed by a comprehensive site visit, and status review meeting with the Council.

Next Accreditation Activity: Self-Study, April 1, 2021
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Fall 2021

Campbellsville University – Doctor of Chiropractic Program
1 University Drive, UPO-781, Campbellsville, KY 42718
Michael V. Carter, Ph.D., President
Accreditation Action: Deferred

Bases and Reasons for Decision: The Council reviewed all materials related to the initial accreditation process, to include, the letter of intent and evidence of eligibility requirements regarding the CCE Accreditation Standards, Section 1.II.A.2, and determined that the program meets the eligibility requirements in Sections b-h, however, the program does not meet the eligibility requirements in Sections a & i and requires further reporting.

Next Accreditation Activity: N/A
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: N/A

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
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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.

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: 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), with no further reporting required.

Next Accreditation Activity: Program Characteristics Report, Fall 2021  
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Fall 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.

Cleveland University – KC, College of Chiropractic  
10850 Lowell Avenue, Overland Park, KS 66210  
Carl S. Cleveland III, 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 and program completion rate thresholds and publication (Standards, Section 2.A.4 & CCE Policy 56), and finances (Section 2.D.1), with no further reporting required.

Next Accreditation Activity: Self-Study, Spring 2021  
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Fall 2021

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.

Life Chiropractic College West  
25001 Industrial Boulevard, Hayward, CA 94545  
Ronald Oberstein, D.C., President  
Accreditation Action: Continued
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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 LCCW regarding Standard 2.A.3, which demonstrated the DCP has established thresholds for various program effectiveness metrics, including metrics related to Student Services, Quality Patient Care, Research and Scholarship, and Service. Moreover, the DCP demonstrated analysis of data on selected metrics to inform program improvements. Regarding Standard 2.H.2, the DCP provided evidence of utilizing aggregate data on the meta-competency outcomes to inform program improvements. The Council determined that the program meets the standards for accreditation in Section 2.A.3 and 2.H.2, with no further reporting required.

Next Accreditation Activity: Program Characteristics Report, Fall 2020
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Fall 2026

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 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 Western New York Healthcare System
3495 Bailey Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14215
Andrew S. Dunn, D.C., Residency 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 CCE policies), and found that the program meets all the standards for accreditation (Sections 2.A-I), 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, with no further reporting required.

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