



ACCREDITATION ACTIONS  
- ANNOUNCEMENT -

February 4, 2022

Annual Council Meeting  
January 14-15, 2022

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.*

Cleveland University – KC, College of Chiropractic  
10850 Lowell Avenue, Overland Park, KS 66210  
Carl Cleveland III, 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 the standards for accreditation within Sections 2.A-G, 2.H.1, 2.H.3 & 2.I-K., to include, mission, planning and program effectiveness; ethics/integrity; governance/administration; resources; faculty; student support services; student admissions; curriculum content and delivery; research and scholarship; service and distance/correspondence education. However, the Council has initiated two (2) concerns in Section 2.H.2, Assessment of Learning Outcomes and Curricular Effectiveness that require further reporting. Therefore, the Council has determined that the DCP is in noncompliance with Section 2.H.2 but the deficiencies do not compromise the overall program integrity and can be corrected by the DCP within the permissible timeframe and hereby imposes a sanction of Warning upon CUKC. Warning is a sanction, that is not subject to appeal, and shall not exceed twelve (12) months.

Next Accreditation Activity: Progress Report, August 2022; Focused Site Visit, Fall 2022  
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Fall 2029

**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*

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

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

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 the standards for accreditation in 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.

Next Accreditation Activity: Program Characteristics Report, Fall 2023  
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Fall 2025

**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.*

Campbellsville University  
1 University Drive UPO-781, Campbellsville, KY 42718  
H. Keith Spears, Ph.D., Interim President  
Accreditation Action: Approved Application

Bases and reasons for decision: The Council reviewed all materials provided in the follow-up report in accordance with the CCE Accreditation Standards, Section 1.II.A.2, *Requirements for Eligibility*, which provided evidence of SACSCOC's authorization to offer additional doctoral degree programs at Campbellsville University. The Council determined the program has 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 Report, Fall 2023  
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Spring 2024

**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.*

National University of Health Sciences  
Doctor of Chiropractic Medicine Program  
200 East Roosevelt Road, Lombard, IL 60148  
*Additional Educational Site*  
- 7200 66<sup>th</sup> Street North, Pinellas Park, FL 33781  
Joseph Stiefel, Ed.D., D.C., President  
Accreditation Action: Continued

Bases and reasons for decision: The Council reviewed all materials related to the Interim Site Visit review, to include the program’s interim report, site team report and the program’s response 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 distance/correspondence education (Standard 2.K.1). However, the Council has initiated two (2) concerns in Section 2.H.2, Assessment of Learning Outcomes and Curricular Effectiveness that require further reporting. Therefore, the Council has determined that the DCP is in noncompliance with Section 2.H.2 but the deficiencies do not compromise the overall program integrity and can be corrected by the DCP within the permissible timeframe and hereby imposes a sanction of Warning upon NUHS. Warning is a sanction, that is not subject to appeal, and shall not exceed twelve (12) months.

Next Accreditation Activity: Progress Report, August 2022; Focused Site Visit, Fall 2022  
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Fall 2025

**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.*

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 PCR regarding the CCE Accreditation Standards (and applicable policies) and determined that the program meets the standards for accreditation in licensing exam success rate, program completion rate thresholds 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), with no further reporting required.

Next Accreditation Activity: Self-Study, Spring 2023  
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Fall 2023

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D'Youville College – Doctor of Chiropractic Program  
320 Porter Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14201  
Rachel Ersing, D.C., Executive Director  
Accreditation Action: Continued

Bases and reasons for decision: The Council reviewed all materials related to the PCR regarding the CCE Accreditation Standards (and applicable policies) and determined that the program meets the standards for accreditation in licensing exam success rate, program completion rate thresholds 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), with no further reporting required.

Next Accreditation Activity: Interim Site Visit, Fall 2023  
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 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.*

NONE

**Award Initial Accreditation (3-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 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.*

VA Central Iowa Health Care System  
3600 30<sup>th</sup> Street, Des Moines, IA 50310  
Nathan Hinkeldey, D.C., Chiropractic Residency Director  
Accreditation Action: Award Initial Accreditation

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 determined that 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, with no further reporting required.

Next Accreditation Activity: Self-Study Report, Spring 2024  
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Fall 2024

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Cincinnati VA Medical Center  
3200 Vine Street, Cincinnati, OH 45220  
Michael Clay, D.C., Chiropractic Residency Director  
Accreditation Action: Award Initial Accreditation

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 determined that 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, with no further reporting required.

Next Accreditation Activity: Self-Study Report, Fall 2024  
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Spring 2025

**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.*

Elevate Life – Chiropractic Residency Program  
1730 West Street #105, Annapolis, MD 21401  
Daniel Johns, D.C., President  
Accreditation Action: Deny

Bases and reasons for decision: The Council reviewed all materials related to the letter of intent and the application for initial accreditation report, including its attachments, and determined that the program does not meet the eligibility requirements in the CCE Residency Program Accreditation Standards, Section 1.II.A.2, Requirements for Eligibility, regarding items a (sponsorship), b (formal authorization to operate), c (legal incorporation), f (mission/purpose, goals and objectives) and g (assessment). Therefore, the Council has determined that the initial application for the program has been denied.

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