ACCREDITATION ACTIONS
- ANNOUNCEMENT -

February 7, 2024

Annual Council Meeting
January 12-13, 2024

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

**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.

Palmer College of Chiropractic
1000 Brady Street, Davenport, IA 52803
Dennis Marchiori, D.C., Ph.D., Chancellor
Accreditation Action: Continued

Bases and reasons for decision: The Council reviewed all materials related to the accreditation process, including the self-study, update report, 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.

Next Accreditation Activity: Program Characteristics Report, Fall 2025; Interim Site Visit, Fall 2027
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Fall 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.

D’Youville University – Doctor of Chiropractic Program
320 Porter Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14201
Lorrie Clemo, Ph.D., President
Accreditation Action: Continued w/Warning

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), and distance/ correspondence education (Standard 2.K.1). However, the Council has initiated one (1) concern and imposed a sanction of warning for noncompliance within Section 2.H.2, Assessment of Learning Outcomes and Curricular Effectiveness, that requires further reporting.

Next Accreditation Activity: Progress Report, June 2024; Program Characteristics Report, Fall 2025
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Fall 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.

Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College
6100 Leslie Street, Toronto, ON M2H 3J1
David Wickes, D.C., M.A., President
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 at this time.

Next Accreditation Activity: Self-Study Report, Spring 2025
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Fall 2025
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Cleveland University – Kansas City
10850 Lowell Avenue, Overland Park, KS 66210
Carl Cleveland III, D.C., President
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 at this time.

Next Accreditation Activity: Interim Site Visit, Fall 2025
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Fall 2029

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National University of Health Sciences
200 East Roosevelt Road, Lombard, IL 60148
Joseph Stiefel, D.C., President
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 at this time.

Next Accreditation Activity: Self-Study Report, Spring 2025
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 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.

Keiser University College of Chiropractic Medicine
2085 Vista Parkway, West Palm Beach, FL 33411
Lisa Nucci, M.B.A., Campus President
Accreditation Action: Continued

Following the progress review meeting, the Council conducted deliberations and reached a consensus decision to remove the sanction of probation for the four (4) areas of noncompliance identified by the Council in its January 31, 2023 letter.

Bases and reasons for decision: The Council reviewed all materials related to the progress review process, including the progress report, site team report, and the program’s response regarding the CCE Accreditation Standards (and applicable policies). KUCCM demonstrated that it monitors success indicators and allocates resources for strategic priorities, analyzes aggregate outcome data, including the aggregate data on the MCOs, to inform program improvement activities, verifies MCO achievement for all students prior to graduation, and collects aggregate data
from its quality assurance plan and analyzes trends against established thresholds to ensure quality patient care. The Council determined that the program provided the evidence requested by the Council in its January 31, 2023 letter and meets the standards for accreditation regarding planning (Standards, Section 2.A.2), program effectiveness (Standards, Section 2.A.3), assessment of learning outcomes and curricular effectiveness (Standards, Section 2.H.2) and quality patient care (Standards, Section 2.H.3).

**Next Accreditation Activity:** Program Characteristics Report, Fall 2024; Interim Site Visit, Fall 2026
**Next Comprehensive Site Visit:** Fall 2030

**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**

**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,
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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 Western New York Healthcare System
3495 Bailey Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14215
Andrew Dunn, D.C., M.Ed., M.S., 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 2027
Next Comprehensive Site Visit: Fall 2027

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