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RE: Program #0018 RHB School ID #1014
Previous Accreditation Status: 5 Years
Most Recent Site Visit: 12/2023

Dear Dr. Gebru:

The Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) appreciated the opportunity to evaluate the associate degree radiography program sponsored by Los Angeles City College. The JRCERT is the only agency recognized by the United States Department of Education (USDE) and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) for the accreditation of traditional and distance delivery educational programs in radiography, radiation therapy, magnetic resonance, and medical dosimetry. Specialized accreditation awarded by the JRCERT offers institutions significant value by providing peer evaluation and by assuring the public of quality professional education in the radiologic sciences.

The continuing accreditation status of the program was considered at the May 15, 2024 meeting of the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology. The program was evaluated according to the **Standards for an Accredited Educational Program in Radiography (2021)**. The JRCERT awards:

PROBATION.

Consistent with JRCERT Policy 10.100, this accreditation action is not subject to appeal.

The JRCERT, after reviewing the findings of the site visit team and the program's response to the report of findings, has determined that the program is in non-compliance with **Standards Two, Three, Four, and Six:**

Objective 2.1 - Lack of assurance that the sponsoring institution provides appropriate administrative support and demonstrates a sound financial commitment to the program. (Provide documentation that adequate administrative and financial support is provided by the sponsoring institution and that the open faculty position has been filled.)

Objective 3.1 - Lack of assurance that the sponsoring institution provides an adequate number of faculty to meet all educational, accreditation, and administrative requirements. (Provide documentation that the program director is provided adequate release time to perform the responsibilities of the position.)

Objective 4.4 - Lack of assurance that the program provides timely, equitable, and educationally valid clinical experiences for all students. (Provide assurance that clinical rotations are equitable and that the variety of clinical settings do not impact competency achievement.)

Therefore, a progress report documenting compliance with **Objectives 2.1, 3.1, and 4.4** is required by **September 6, 2024**.

Objective 6.2 - Lack of assurance that the program analyzes and shares its program effectiveness data to facilitate ongoing program improvement. (Provide documentation of the full analysis of program effectiveness data, including action plans for unmet benchmarks, and the sharing of the data with the program's communities of interest.)

Objective 6.4 - Lack of assurance that the program analyzes and shares student learning outcome data to facilitate ongoing program improvement. (Provide documentation of the full analysis of student learning outcome data and the sharing of the data with the program's communities of interest.)

Additionally, a progress report documenting compliance with **Objectives 6.2** and **6.4** is required by **May 23, 2025**.

The Committee based this decision on the expiration of the maximum compliance timeframe allowed to document compliance with all accreditation standards. As required by the USDE and consistent with JRCERT Policy 11.400, the program was to have documented compliance with the Standards by January 24, 2025. Consistent with JRCERT Policy 11.400, the JRCERT Board of Directors has granted a 12-month good cause extension to the program's compliance timeframe. The board recognizes the change in key program personnel (i.e., program director and clinical coordinator) may have affected the program from documenting compliance with all accreditation standards. The program must now be in compliance with all accreditation standards no later than **January 24, 2026**. This is the maximum time that the Board will allow for the program to document progress towards and achievement of compliance with all accreditation standards. The program is advised that no additional extensions will be granted and that the Board may consider involuntary withdrawal of accreditation prior to expiration of the good cause extension.

The progress reports must be submitted via the JRCERT Accreditation Management System (AMS) and will be considered by the Board of Directors at the next available meeting after submission. Based on evaluation of the progress report, the Board of Directors will determine the appropriate accreditation action.

As required by the USDE and consistent with the **maximum** compliance timeframes set forth in JRCERT Policy 11.400, when the JRCERT Board of Directors determines that a program has failed to document compliance with the **Standards** and has not satisfactorily addressed the identified deficiencies, the existing accreditation status will be withdrawn. Such involuntary withdrawal of accreditation is considered an adverse accreditation action. The JRCERT defines an adverse action as involuntary withdrawal of accreditation. Involuntary withdrawal of accreditation will generally, but not necessarily, occur after a Probationary Accreditation status has been awarded. The board may take adverse action prior to the expiration of the maximum compliance timeframe. Probationary status, as well as an adverse accreditation action, requires written notification to the United States Secretary of Education, the appropriate State licensing or authorizing agency, appropriate institutional and/or other accrediting agencies, and the public.

Consistent with JRCERT Policy 10.700 (enclosed), the program must notify currently enrolled and accepted students, as well as the public via a website posting, of this status within 30 days of receipt of this letter. The program is required to submit a representative sample of such notification and list of recipients to the JRCERT no later than **June 21, 2024**.

Additionally, the program must publish a copy of this award letter on its website.

The program is also advised that consistent with JRCERT Policy 11.600, the JRCERT reserves the right to conduct unannounced site visits of accredited programs. The sponsoring institution would be responsible for the expenses of any onsite evaluation.

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The Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology Directors and staff encourage you and the program faculty to continue your efforts in developing a quality educational program. If we can be of further assistance, do not hesitate to contact the office.

Sincerely,



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