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RE: Program #0256

Previous Accreditation Status: 8 Years
Most Recent Site Visit: 10/2018

Dear Dr. Rivers:

After review of the requested interim report, the continuing accreditation status of the associate degree radiography program sponsored by Piedmont Technical College was considered at the February 21, 2023 meeting of the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT). 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 program was evaluated according to the **Standards for an Accredited Educational Program in Radiography (2021)**. The program documents compliance with all relevant Standards; therefore, the JRCERT awards:

## MAINTENANCE OF ACCREDITATION FOR A PERIOD OF EIGHT YEARS.

The next site visit is tentatively scheduled for the Fourth Quarter of 2026.

The program is advised that the JRCERT defines program completion rate as the number of students who complete the program within the stated program length. The program need not include graduates who attrite due to nonacademic reasons such as: 1) financial, medical/mental health, or family reasons, 2) military deployment, 3) a change in major/course of study, and/or 4) other reasons an institution may classify as a nonacademic withdrawal.

The program is also advised to reevaluate the goals, student learning outcomes, and benchmarks on the program's assessment plan to assure consistency and alignment in an effort to facilitate program improvement.

Consistent with JRCERT Policy 11.500, the JRCERT has determined that program officials would benefit from a JRCERT-sponsored Outcomes Assessment Workshop. Documentation of the program director and/or clinical coordinator's attendance at an Outcomes Assessment Workshop must be submitted no later than **February 21, 2024**. A complete listing of dates and locations for all JRCERT-sponsored seminars and workshops is available at <a href="https://www.jrcert.org/events">www.jrcert.org/events</a>.

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The program is further 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 on-site evaluation.

The Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology Directors and staff congratulate you and the program faculty for maintaining the maximum award of accreditation from the JRCERT and wish you continuing success in your efforts to provide a quality educational program. If we can be of further assistance, do not hesitate to contact the office.

Sincerely,

Julia L. Lasley, Ph.D., R.T.(R)(T) Chair

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