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January 23, 2024

Garret D. Hinshaw, Ed.D. President Catawba Valley Community College 2550 Highway 70 SE Hickory, NC 28602

RE: Program #0562

Previous Accreditation Status: 8 Years
Most Recent Site Visit: 10/2019

Dear Dr. Hinshaw:

After review of the requested interim report, the continuing accreditation status of the associate degree radiography program sponsored by Catawba Valley Community College was considered at the January 16, 2024 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 2027.

The program is advised that all references to the 2014 JRCERT Standards in the program handbook need to be updated to the 2021 Standards.

Additionally, the program is advised to maintain documentation that clinical staff are apprised of supervision policies annually.

The program is also advised that the assessment plan must contain, at a minimum, two student learning outcomes per goal and two measurement tools per student learning outcome.

The program is further advised to continue refinement of its assessment plan. Program officials are strongly encouraged to attend a JRCERT-sponsored Outcomes Assessment Workshop. A complete listing of dates and locations for all JRCERT-sponsored seminars and workshops is available at www.jrcert.org/events.

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The program is finally 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 continued 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,



Tracy Herrmann, Ph.D., R.T.(R), FAEIRS Chair

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