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January 8, 2024

Amy DeMelo, Ed.D. President Cox College 1423 N. Jefferson Ave Springfield, MO 64802

RE: Program #2768

Previous Accreditation Status: 5 Years Most Recent Site Visit: 09/2023

Dear Dr. DeMelo:

The Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) appreciated the opportunity to evaluate the associate degree radiography program sponsored by Cox 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 December 19, 2023 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 program documents compliance with all relevant Standards; therefore, the JRCERT awards:

ACCREDITATION FOR A PERIOD OF EIGHT YEARS.

The maximum duration that may be awarded by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology in this category is eight years.

The Board also considered the substantive change, addition of an alternative learning option, transition to distance delivery of 100%, and took the following action:

APPROVAL OF SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE.

This substantive change was effective December 19, 2023.

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An interim report will be required. The projected date for submission of the interim report is the Third Quarter of 2027. The JRCERT will provide program officials adequate notice of the due date for submission of the interim report. Based on the interim report, the JRCERT will determine if the accreditation award of eight years will be maintained or reduced, and the continuing accreditation process expedited.

If the accreditation award is maintained, the next site visit is tentatively scheduled for the Third Quarter of 2031.

The program is 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 achieving 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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