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Ricky L. Ford, M.Ed. President Northeast Mississippi Community College 101 Cunningham Boulevard Booneville, MS 38829

RE:	Program #0436	
	<b>Previous Accreditation Status:</b>	8 Years
	Most Recent Site Visit:	06/2017

Dear President Ford:

After review of the requested interim report, the continuing accreditation status of the associate degree radiography program sponsored by Northeast Mississippi Community College was considered at the September 21, 2021 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 Second Quarter of 2025.

The program is advised that it must establish a magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) safety screening protocol and students must complete MRI orientation and screening which reflect current American College of Radiology (ACR) MR safety guidelines prior to the clinical experience.

The program is also advised that students must be directly supervised during surgical and all mobile, including mobile fluoroscopy, procedures regardless of the level of competency.

The program is further advised that it must have a written systematic assessment plan that, at a minimum, contains two assessment tools per student learning outcome

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.

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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

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