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Bette A. Schans
Chair
Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology
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RE: Program#0485- Involuntary Withdrawal of Accreditation

Dear Dr. Schans,

We regret the action taken by JRCERT to involuntarily remove our program's accreditation due to its standard that evaluates ARRT pass rates on a five year, first-time pass rate rolling average. Unfortunately, our school has not been able to overcome the large deficit in the pass rate that we endured during and immediately after the 2016 flood, which devastated our student body and its outcomes in many ways. While we will miss the public prestige that JRCERT provides for our program, Fortis College and the Radiologic Technology program will maintain accreditation with the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES), where we are in good standing! Additionally, students will still maintain: (1) access to federal student aid, (2) acquisition of local/regional clinical site experience, and (3) eligibility upon graduation to take the ARRT exam. We are currently making plans to re-apply for JRCERT accreditation as we believe our five-year, first-time rolling pass rate will significantly improve once the 2016-2017 exam attempts are outside of the five year range.

Sincerely,

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