



Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology
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Eric Rudie, B.A.
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RE: Program #0531

Dear Mr. Rudie:

The Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) affirmed the voluntary withdrawal of accreditation of the associate degree radiography program sponsored by Fortis Institute - Nashville effective December 5, 2023 at its January 16, 2024 meeting. It is noted that at the time of the program's voluntary withdrawal of accreditation, the program's most recent accreditation award was **Probation** with an outstanding citation related to areas of non-compliance with **Standard Six**:

Objective 6.1 - Lack of assurance that the program maintains the following program effectiveness data:
Five-year average credentialing examination pass rate of not less than 75 percent at first attempt within six months of graduation

The program's current five-year (2019-2023) average credentialing examination pass rate at first attempt within six months of graduation is 65% (43/66).

The program is advised that consistent with JRCERT **Policy 10.200**, graduates of the program after December 5, 2023 are not considered graduates of a JRCERT-accredited program. The program is strongly encouraged to notify current students and applicants of this action.

Consistent with JRCERT **Policy 10.200**, the JRCERT will notify, in writing, the clinical settings of the program that accreditation has been voluntarily withdrawn. Furthermore, consistent with JRCERT **Policy 10.700**, **Procedure 10.702E**, the JRCERT will provide the United States Department of Education (USDE), appropriate state licensing agencies, and the public, within sixty (60) days, a brief statement summarizing the reasons for the JRCERT's decision, and any comments provided by the program. This summary will state that the decision was based on the program's prerogative to voluntarily withdraw accreditation and will include the accreditation award of the program and any outstanding citations at the time of its voluntary withdrawal. Should you have any comments that you wish to make with regard to the decision to voluntarily withdraw, please forward them to the JRCERT within twenty (20) business days of receipt of this notification. This action and any such comments will be posted on the JRCERT website.

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You are requested to destroy the Certificate of Accreditation for the sponsor and all Certificates of Recognition for the clinical settings.

If the Committee or the CEO can be of further assistance, do not hesitate to contact the office.

Sincerely,

A solid black rectangular box used to redact the signature of Tracy Herrmann.

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

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