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RE: Program #0672

Previous Accreditation Status: 8 Years

Most Recent Site Visit: 10/2019

Dear Dr. Kadish:

After review of the requested interim report, the continuing accreditation status of the certificate and associate degree radiography program sponsored by Touro University was considered at the February 13, 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 JRCERT took the following action:

PROBATION.

Consistent with JRCERT Policy 10.100, this accreditation action is not subject to appeal.

The Committee based this decision on the program's non-compliance with **Standards One, Five, and Six:**

Objective 1.6 - Lack of assurance that the program publishes program effectiveness data (credentialing examination pass rate, job placement rate, and program completion rate) on an annual basis.

The program is advised to update the program effectiveness data posted on the program's website to reflect accurate 2019-2023 credentialing examination pass rates.

Objective 5.4 - Lack of assurance that the program assures that medical imaging procedures are performed under the appropriate supervision of a qualified radiographer.

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 69% (146/213).

Objective 6.2 - Lack of assurance that the program analyzes and shares its program effectiveness data to facilitate ongoing program improvement.

Objective 6.3 - Lack of assurance that the program has a systematic assessment plan that facilitates ongoing program improvement.

Objective 6.4 - Lack of assurance that the program analyzes and shares student learning outcome data to facilitate ongoing program improvement.

Objective 6.5 - Lack of assurance that the program periodically reevaluates its assessment process to assure continuous program improvement.

The next site visit is tentatively scheduled for the Fourth Quarter of 2024. The continuing accreditation materials will be forwarded to the program at a future date and will include a submission timetable.

Consistent with JRCERT Policy 11.400, the maximum compliance timeframe is 36 months. Based on the areas of non-compliance, the Board of Directors are maintaining the previously identified 36-month compliance timeframe. Therefore, the program must document compliance with all accreditation standards no later than **February 7, 2025** or identify mitigating circumstances hindering the attainment of this outcome for consideration by the JRCERT Board of Directors.

As required by the USDE and consistent with the **maximum** compliance timeframes set forth in JRCERT Policy 11.400, when the JRCERT Board of Directors determines that a program has failed to document compliance with the **Standards** and has not satisfactorily addressed the identified deficiencies, the existing accreditation status will be withdrawn. Such involuntary withdrawal of accreditation is considered an adverse accreditation action. The JRCERT defines an adverse action as involuntary withdrawal of accreditation. Involuntary withdrawal of accreditation will generally, but not necessarily, occur after a Probationary Accreditation status has been awarded. The board may take adverse action prior to the expiration of the maximum compliance timeframe. Probationary status, as well as an adverse accreditation action, requires written notification to the United States Secretary of Education, the appropriate State licensing or authorizing agency, appropriate regional and/or other accrediting agencies, and the public.

Consistent with JRCERT Policy 10.700 (enclosed), the program must notify currently enrolled and accepted students, as well as the public via a website posting, of this status within 30 days of receipt of this letter. The program is required to submit a representative sample of such notification and list of recipients to the JRCERT no later than **March 28, 2024**.

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The program is also 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 encourage you and the program faculty to continue your efforts in developing a quality educational program. If we can be of further assistance, do not hesitate to contact the office.

Sincerely,



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