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Jennifer Obbard, MN, RN
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Dear Ms. Obbard:

This letter is formal notification of the action taken by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) at its meeting in September 2019. The Board of Commissioners granted continuing accreditation to the associate nursing program and scheduled the next evaluation visit for Spring 2027.

Deliberations centered on the materials available to the Board from this accreditation review process and the recommendation for accreditation proposed by the peer evaluators on the site visit team and the Evaluation Review Panel.

The Board identified the following:

Areas Needing Development

Standard 1 Mission and Administrative Capacity, Criteria 1.3 and 1.10

- Ensure that the assessment of end-of-program student learning outcomes is shared with the communities of interest.
- Ensure that policies for the nursing faculty are comprehensive, provide for the welfare of the faculty, and are consistent with those of the governing organization.

Standard 2 Faculty and Staff, Criterion 2.4

- Ensure evidence demonstrates that preceptors are oriented, mentored, and monitored.

Standard 3 Students, Criteria 3.2, 3.5, and 3.6

- Review and revise program documents (paper and electronic) to ensure that information intended to inform the public is accurate and consistent.
- Ensure student educational records are maintained in compliance with the policies of the governing organization and state guidelines.
- Continue to implement institutional strategies to address the default rate.

Standard 6 Outcomes, Criterion 6.4

- Review and revise the expected level of achievement for job placement to be congruent with the ACEN definition of job placement.

Congratulations on this outstanding achievement! We look forward to continued successes for your nursing program. On behalf of the Board of Commissioners, we thank you and your colleagues for your commitment to quality nursing education. If you have questions about this action or about ACEN policies and procedures, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Marsal P. Stoll".

Marsal P. Stoll, EdD, MSN
Chief Executive Officer