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October 9, 2020

Jody Covert, MSN, RN
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Dear Ms. Covert:

This letter is formal notification of the action taken by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) at its meeting in September 2020. The Board of Commissioners granted continuing accreditation to the associate nursing program and scheduled the next evaluation visit for Spring 2028. Please see ACEN Policy #9 Disclosure of Information About an Accredited Program for the required disclosure statement regarding this decision that must be made to all current and prospective students within seven business days of this letter.

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 of Commissioners identified the following:

Areas of Strength

Standard 5 Resources, Criterion 5.1

 Since the last site visit, robust fiscal support from several community foundations has enabled the program to build a state-ofthe art facility, including a simulation laboratory equipped with multiple high-fidelity mannequins, as well as providing support to meet student instructional and learning needs.

Areas Needing Development

Standard 2 Faculty and Staff, Criterion 2.7

 Ensure the number and qualifications of staff within the nursing education unit are sufficient to support the nursing program.

Standard 6 Outcomes, Criteria 6.1 and 6.2

- Ensure the program demonstrates evidence that there are specific, measurable expected levels of achievement for each end-of-program student learning outcome.
- Ensure the program demonstrates evidence that assessment data are consistently analyzed and used in program decision-making for the maintenance and improvement of students' attainment of the end of program student learning outcomes.



<u>Areas Needing Development (continued)</u> Standard 6 Outcomes, Criteria 6.1 and 6.2

- Continue to identify and implement strategies/actions to improve achievement of the end of program student learning outcomes when the expected levels of achievement are not met.
- Review and revise the licensure examination pass rate outcome statement to be congruent with the ACEN Criterion by including an appropriate 12-month period and all first-time test-takers.

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. In addition to this official letter, your nursing program will receive an ACEN certificate authenticating the Board of Commissioners' decision. The processing of these certificates has been delayed due to the COVID-19 outbreak and will resume when ACEN staff members are able to return to the office. If you have questions about this action or about ACEN policies and procedures, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Marsal P. Stoll, EdD, MSN Chief Executive Officer

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