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Dear Dr. Williams:

This letter is to advise you of the action of the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) board regarding the Dietetic Technician Program at Truckee Meadows Community College. During its February 22-23, 2014 meeting, the ACEND board voted to continue full Accreditation of your program. Your Dietetic Technician Program is accredited for a maximum enrollment in supervised practice courses of 12 first- and 12 second-year students.

The decision was based upon a peer review of your self-study report addressing the 2012 Accreditation Standards, site visit report and your program's response. ACEND recognizes your program's compliance with the 2012 Accreditation Standards and encourages you to continue your efforts in providing quality dietetics education.

The next review of your program will be in **2018**, the five-year midpoint of the ten-year accreditation period, when the Program Assessment Report (PAR) is due. The PAR documents comprehensive evaluation of an accredited program that has occurred over the previous five years. Affirmation of your program's accreditation status is dependent on the ACEND board's evaluation of the PAR, which determines continuation of the accreditation status of the program for the remaining five years. ACEND staff will notify you and provide further information approximately one year prior to the PAR submission date. The next comprehensive self-study report and site visit for continued accreditation will be scheduled for **2023**.

If major changes occur in your program, you must submit them in writing to ACEND for review prior to implementation. The ACEND board maintains the right to require an interim report, self-study report, and/or site visit as a result of any changes.

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Guidelines for reporting major changes are on the ACEND Program Director Portal which can be accessed at [www.eatright.org/ACEND](http://www.eatright.org/ACEND).

ACEND values your commitment to the quality and continued improvement of dietetics education as demonstrated during the accreditation process. Thank you for your support of dietetics education and students. If you have any questions, please call ACEND staff at 800-877-1600 x5400.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Anne Kendall".

Anne Kendall, PhD, RD, LDN

Chair, Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics

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