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Louise Pagotto, Ph.D. Chancellor University of Hawaii-Kapiolani Community College 4303 Diamond Head Road Honolulu, HI 96816

RE: Program #0046

Previous Accreditation Status: 5 Years Most Recent Site Visit: 03/19

Dear Dr. Pagotto:

The Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) appreciated the opportunity to evaluate the associate degree radiography program sponsored by the University of Hawaii-Kapiolani Community College. 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 continuing accreditation status of the program was considered at the October 25, 2019 meeting of the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology. The program was evaluated according to the **Standards for an Accredited Educational Program in Radiography (2014)**. The JRCERT awards:

## ACCREDITATION FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS.

The maximum duration that may be awarded by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology in this category is eight years.

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

The JRCERT, after reviewing the findings of the site visit team and the program's response to the report of findings, has determined that the program is in non-compliance with **Standard Five**:

**Objective 5.4** - Analyzes and shares student learning outcome data and program effectiveness data to foster continuous program improvement. (Provide assurance that the student learning outcomes and program effectiveness data is being analyzed and shared with the communities of interest.)

Therefore, a progress report documenting compliance with this objective is required by **October 1, 2020**. The progress report must be submitted via the JRCERT Accreditation Management Systems (AMS) and will be considered by the Board of Directors at the next available meeting after submission. Based on evaluation of the progress report, the Board of Directors will maintain or extend accreditation to eight years. An additional progress report may be required if the objective is not adequately addressed.

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Based upon the decision of non-compliance, the program must document compliance with all accreditation standards no later than **October 25, 2021**. 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. 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 11.500, the JRCERT has determined that program officials would benefit from a JRCERT-sponsored Accreditation Seminar and/or Outcomes Assessment Workshop. Therefore, a progress report documenting the program director and/or clinical coordinator's attendance at an Accreditation Seminar and/or Outcomes Assessment Workshop must be submitted no later than **October 26, 2020**. A complete listing of dates and locations for all JRCERT-sponsored seminars and workshops are available at <a href="https://www.ircert.org/Calendar">www.ircert.org/Calendar</a>.

The program is 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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