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Dear Ms. Dinger:

This letter is formal notification of the action taken by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) at its meeting in September 2020. For the continuing accreditation site visit, the Board of Commissioners granted continuing accreditation to the associate nursing program; additionally, for the focused visit, the Board affirmed continuing accreditation, as the program is in compliance with all Accreditation Standards and Criteria reviewed during the focused visit following the implementation of the Titusville off-campus instructional site, 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 Needing Development

Standard 1 Mission and Administrative Capacity, Criterion 1.8

- Ensure the nurse administrator has sufficient time to fulfill the role responsibilities.

Standard 6 Outcomes, Criteria 6.1 and 6.4

- Ensure the program demonstrates that there are specific, measurable expected levels of achievement for each end-of-program student learning outcome.
- 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. 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,



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Chief Executive Officer