

Compliance Expectations During Voluntary Withdrawal of Accreditation

This communication is being provided to make clear expectations for programs in Voluntary Withdrawal of accreditation status, as well as program's that may be considering requesting a change in their accreditation status. Per the <u>CAATE Policies</u>, it is expected that programs will remain in compliance with all Standards until the program has closed. A program in Voluntary Withdrawal of accreditation may still have its accreditation withdrawn (non-voluntary) by the Commission prior to its closing date if compliance with the *Standards* is not maintained. With Commission approval, programs in Voluntary Withdrawal of accreditation may remain non-compliant with Standard 11.

Standard 11 (<u>2012 Professional Standards</u>): Data Analysis: Programs must meet or exceed a three year aggregate of 70 percent first-time pass rate on the BOC examination.

Programs must continue to allocate appropriate resources to ensure a quality learning environment. In particular, programs in Voluntary Withdrawal of accreditation MUST continue to allocate sufficient faculty resources, as required by Standard 30.

Standard 30 (<u>2012 Professional Standards</u>): Athletic Training Faculty Number: In addition to the Program Director, there must be a minimum of one full-time (1.0 FTE) faculty member as defined in the glossary, dedicated (100 % of 1 FTE) to the athletic training program.

The 2012 Professional Standards also require the program to provide publicly accessible information on the program's and/or institution's website. The following Standards, which must be met by all programs, including those in Voluntary Withdrawal of accreditation, require that information must be made publicly accessible:

Standard 8: Assessment Measures: Programs must post the data from Standard 7 on the Program's home page or a direct link to the data must be on the program's home web page.

Standard 64: Technical standards required for completion of the program must be clearly defined, published, approved by appropriate institutional representatives and be publicly accessible.

Standard 67: An active communicable and/or infectious disease policy as determined by the institution must be established and made publicly available.



Standard 88: Program Admission, Retention and Advertisement: If the program uses a secondary selective admission process, this must be stated in institution publications. The standards and criteria must be identified and publicly accessible (For this Standard, the program must identify that they are no longer admitting students and must maintain the retention policy information that is relevant to current students within the program).

Standard 90: All academic tuition, fees, and other required program specific costs incurred by the student must be publicly accessible in official institutional documents.

Standard 93: Athletic training faculty and students must have a clearly written and consistent description of the academic curriculum available to them. This description must include curriculum and course sequence.

Standard 95: The institution must have a published procedure available for processing student and faculty grievances.

Standard 96: Policies and processes for student withdrawal and for refund of tuition and fees must be published in official institutional publications or other announced information sources and made available to applicants.

Standard 97: Policies and procedures governing the award of available funding for scholarships administered by the program must be accessible by eligible students.

Additionally, programs going through Voluntary Withdrawal must continue to submit Annual Reports and pay the standard annual accreditation fees until the Commission approved closing date.

Beginning July 01, 2020, programs previously approved for and currently in Voluntary Withdrawal, and programs requesting a change in status to Voluntary Withdrawal of accreditation after this date, must be compliant with the new 2020 Professional Standards (Baccalaureate programs must teach the content in Section IV: Curricular Content).

Should you have any questions or require further clarification regarding this notice, please contact the CAATE Office at (512-733-9700).