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Dear Dr. Flood,

On behalf of the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), I am pleased to advise you that at its September 21, 2018 meeting the CCNE Board of Commissioners reviewed the continuous improvement progress report (CIPR) submitted on June 1, 2017 and related follow-up report submitted on March 20, 2018 by the baccalaureate degree program in nursing at New Mexico Highlands University and determined that the program continues to meet all accreditation standards.

As background, in its accreditation letter dated November 6, 2014, the Board stated that if, at the time of the review of the CIPR, the report demonstrated compliance with all standards and key elements, it may act to extend the term of accreditation for up to an additional 5 years, resulting in a 10-year term of accreditation. Based on its review of the CIPR, the Report Review Committee determined that Key Element II-D remained a compliance concern, and directed the program to submit a follow-up report due on May 25, 2018. As a result of the Board's review of the CIPR and follow-up report, the term of accreditation for the baccalaureate degree program in nursing at New Mexico Highlands University has been extended to December 31, 2024.

The baccalaureate degree program in nursing is now scheduled to host an on-site evaluation in the spring of 2024. Approximately 12-18 months prior to the time the on-site evaluation is to be scheduled, you will be contacted by CCNE staff with information on initiating the re-evaluation process. Please note that the on-site evaluation scheduled for the baccalaureate program in spring of 2019 has been cancelled.

As a reminder, programs are expected to comply with the current CCNE [standards and procedures](#) throughout the period of accreditation. This includes advising CCNE in the event of a substantive change affecting the nursing program. Substantive change notifications must be submitted to CCNE no earlier than 90 days prior to implementation or occurrence of the change, but no later than 90 days after implementation or occurrence of the change. These reporting requirements are described further in the CCNE [Procedures](#).

The Commissioners join me in expressing our best wishes as you proceed with tasks important to the future of your nursing program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Judith H. Lewis'.

Judith H. Lewis, EdD, RN
Chair, CCNE Board of Commissioners

cc: CCNE Board of Commissioners
CCNE Report Review Committee