

**JOINT REVIEW COMMITTEE
ON EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS
IN NUCLEAR MEDICINE TECHNOLOGY**

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Dear Dr. Isekenegbe:

At its meeting on November 14, 2020, the Joint Review Committee on Educational Programs in Nuclear Medicine Technology (JRCNMT) evaluated the nuclear medicine technology program at Bronx Community College. After reviewing the self-study, letter of site visit findings, and the program's response to the letter of findings, the JRCNMT voted to continue the program's accreditation, with conditions, due to deficiencies in compliance with one or more accreditation standards.

The following deficiencies warrant attention and resolution to achieve full compliance with the *Accreditation Standards for Nuclear Medicine Technologist Education*:

Standard

C1d The (master) plan should include: clinical education schedule template and guidelines for making clinical assignments, which demonstrate that all students will have the opportunity to meet required competencies.

Program faculty can verbally communicate guidelines for making clinical assignments but they are not a written part of the program's master plan. A lack of written criteria for faculty to follow can lead to inconsistencies in clinical assignments and a lack of equivalent clinical education experiences for all students.

D2.3 Programs must implement a student assessment process in didactic and clinical courses that utilizes **formative** and **summative assessment** techniques to provide students and program officials with timely indication of student progress and academic standing while remediation is still possible.

Formal clinical evaluation of students, comprising 40% of the grade, only occurs at the end of each rotation. There is no formative evaluation(s). The current process does not provide students early feedback to permit remediation.

D3.1j Assessment of program effectiveness must, at a minimum, document the regular collection and analysis of the following quantitative and qualitative data - affiliate visit notes from the PD and/or CC.

Although site visits appear to be occurring at least twice annually and documentation of the visits exists, the only record of the visits is the evaluation of the student completed by the faculty member. There are no notes of conversations or observations or the need for follow-up on any issues.

The JRCNMT requests a progress report be submitted no later than **February 1, 2021** documenting the manner in which each deficiency is being addressed or has been resolved. After review of the report by the JRCNMT at their spring 2021 meeting, accreditation may be continued if the program has come into compliance with all standards. If deficiencies remain, continued accreditation may be deferred or the program may be placed on probation. With either of these actions a second progress report will be necessary.

In 2019, the program was placed on heightened monitoring because the graduate pass rate on the national certification examinations was below the JRCNMT threshold of 80%. Through annual and progress reports submitted in 2020, the program demonstrated the implementation of changes to improve graduate pass rates and the newest data indicates that the program's 2017-2019 pass rate for first-time examinees on the national certification exams is at 81%; therefore, the program has been removed from heightened monitoring for this issue.

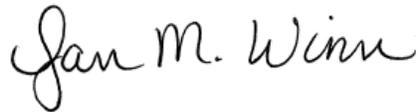
Based on the most recent clinical affiliate data from the evaluation process, the number of students participating in the clinical phase of the program shall not exceed 19. The following institutions are recognized as affiliates of this program:

Affiliate	Location	Approved Capacity for This Program
Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center*	New York, NY	1
Montefiore Einstein JD Weiler Hospital	Bronx, NY	1
Montefiore Hospital Moses Campus	Bronx, NY	4
Montefiore Medical Park	Bronx, NY	3
Mount Sinai Hospital*	New York, NY	4
NYCHealth + Hospitals / Lincoln	Bronx, NY	1
NYP Columbia University Medical Center*	New York, NY	4
St. Barnabas Hospital	Bronx, NY	1
<i>*shared affiliate</i>	Total clinical capacity	19

The program remains accredited, with conditions, and this information will be made available to the public through the JRCNMT website and its publications.

The JRCNMT is confident that the program has the ability to come into full compliance with the *Standards*. Program officials should contact the JRCNMT office if they require assistance in preparing the progress report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jan M. Winn". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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