JOINT REVIEW COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS IN NUCLEAR MEDICINE TECHNOLOGY

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Distributed by Email

Dear Dr. Rhames:

At its meeting on October 13, 2023, the Joint Review Committee on Educational Programs in Nuclear Medicine Technology (JRCNMT) evaluated the 2023 self-study and letter of site visit findings of the nuclear medicine technology program at Midlands Technical College. Because deficiencies in compliance with accreditation standards were identified, the JRCNMT placed the program on accreditation with conditions.

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

- D2.1 A program must identify student learning outcomes that clearly state the knowledge, skills and/or attitudes students are expected to obtain at the course and program level. The program has Program Student Learning Outcome (PSLO); however, they are referred to as program goals, intended course outcomes, and student learning outcomes (SLO), depending on where they are referenced. Review and confirm which set of SLOs is the current version and use these in all key documents. Consistently refer to these as Program Student Learning Outcomes rather than goals. Goals typically refer to what the program will do/provide and PSLOs refer to what the student will learn.
- D3.3 Programs must have an Advisory Committee that includes each AES, along with any other members the program chooses to appoint.

 Make sure all AES are aware they are a part of the advisory committee and invited to provide feedback. Distribute minutes to all members. At one site, a manager attends advisory committee meetings but the AES does not. At a second site the AES did not seem to know about the advisory committee. At a third site, the AES stated he was not a member; however, further questioning indicated he was asked to serve but declined to attend due to his schedule.

An assessment of all clinical affiliates during the review process determined that the program can accommodate 15 students in the clinical education portion of the program. The recognized affiliates and their respective student capacities are identified on the page attached to this letter.

Since compliance deficiencies were noted, the JRCNMT requests a progress report be submitted no later than **August 1, 2024** documenting the manner in which each cited deficiency is being addressed or has been resolved. After review of the report by the JRCNMT at their fall 2024 meeting, conditions may be removed and accreditation continued if the program has demonstrated that is in compliance with all standards. If deficiencies remain, continued accreditation may be deferred and conditions extended, or the program may be placed on probation. With either of these actions a second progress report will be necessary.

The program's accreditation status 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*. If program officials require assistance in preparing the progress report they should contact the JRCNMT office.

Sincerely,

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Affiliate Capacities

A program's student capacity is based on equipment, staffing levels and procedure volume at each clinical affiliate, as reported in the self-study or in newer documentation provided before or at the time of the site visit. An arranged clinical capacity, noted as "arr @", means students are assigned to the facility for a special-focus rotation of limited duration. Arranged capacities are not included in the calculation of a program's total clinical student capacity. Where clinical affiliates are shared with other educational programs, it is the responsibility of the program directors to ensure clinical assignments do not exceed the approved capacity at these affiliates.

Affiliate	Location	Capacity
Cardinal Health	West Columbia, SC	arr @ 1
Lexington Medical Center – NM	West Columbia, SC	3
- PET/CT		arr @ 1
McLeod Regional Medical Center* - NM	Florence, SC	2
- PET/CT		arr @ 1
MUSC Health Florence Medical Center	Florence, SC	1
MUSC Health University Medical Center	Charleston, SC	1
Prisma Health Baptist Hospital - NM	Columbia, SC	1
- PET/CT		arr @ 1
- Radiopharmacy		arr @ 1
Prisma Health Greenville Memorial Hospital	Greenville, SC	1
Prisma Health Richland Hospital	Columbia, SC	2
- Cardiology Department		arr @ 1
Prisma Health Tuomey Hospital	Sumter, SC	1
Regional Medical Center	Orangeburg, SC	1
Spartanburg Regional Medical Center* – NM	Spartanburg	2
- PET/CT		arr @ 1
	Total program capacity	15

^{*} Indicates affiliate is shared with another nuclear medicine program