

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE NOTICE ON  
LOS ANGELES COLLEGE OF CHIROPRACTIC  
Whittier, California  
Effective: February 10, 2017

Los Angeles College of Chiropractic (“the Program”) at Southern California University of Health Sciences in Whittier, California, is accredited by the Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE). As of the above date, the Program has been placed on Probation. The Council took this action because of areas of concern related to planning, program assessment, student admissions and reporting of student performance data.

**Recent Council Action**

On February 10, 2017, the Council placed the Program on Probation. At the same time, the Council notified the Program that the decision would not become final until after 20 days following receipt of the notification letter, during which time the Program could exercise its right to appeal, since the Council’s procedures define probation as an appealable decision. The Program did not appeal within the allotted time and thus, the probation decision becomes final and public.

The Council determined that the Program is in significant non-compliance with the following *Standards* and *Policy* requirements:

- CCE Accreditation Standards, Section 2.A, “Measurable goals and objectives congruent with the mission must be developed. These goals and objectives both shape the DCP and guide creation of a plan that establishes programmatic priorities, and operational priorities, and program resource allocations. The plan is structured, implemented, and reviewed in a manner that enables the DCP to assess the effectiveness of its goals and objectives, and permits the DCP to implement those changes necessary to maintain and improve program quality.”
- CCE Accreditation Standards, Section 2.G, “...may admit students under the terms and conditions of CCE Policy 7.”
- CCE Accreditation Standards, Section 2.H, “...The didactic and clinical education components of the curriculum are structured and integrated in a manner that enables the graduate to demonstrate attainment of all required competencies...”
- CCE Policy 56, “...requires that DCPs must disclose up-to-date results of student performance on national board examinations on the program website.”

**Probation**

Probation may be imposed at any time when the Council concludes that the DCP is in significant non-compliance with one or more eligibility, accreditation, or CCE policy requirements. The Council may require the DCP to submit a substantive report, host an on-site evaluation and/or make an appearance before the Council to provide evidence of compliance. Probation is a sanction, subject to appeal and may be continued for up to twenty-four (24) months. The Council will make public notice of a final decision to impose Probation in accordance with CCE policy and procedures.

During the Probation period, the Program remains accredited and has the opportunity to remedy the areas of concern that led to the sanction.

**Next Steps**

The Program is required to submit a Progress Report no later than August 1, 2017, specifically addressing the areas of concern listed above and providing evidence that the Program is in compliance with the respective standards/policies.

The Program is required to host a Focused Site Visit in the Fall of 2017 for verification/validation of the August 2017 Progress Report.

At its meeting in January 2018, the Council will review the August 2017 Progress Report, Fall 2017 Final Site Team Report and the Program response to the Final Site Team Report. The Council will then determine whether the Program has demonstrated compliance with the standards/policies identified in this action and whether Probation can be removed, or the Program has not demonstrated compliance and other action may be appropriate.

**Comment from the Program**

Los Angeles College of Chiropractic (LACC) at Southern California University of Health Sciences (SCU) greatly appreciates the insightful feedback provided throughout the accreditation process by the Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE). LACC has found CCE's input to be invaluable in the quest for continuous improvement. The process has been collegial and instructive, and LACC is working diligently to address the noted concerns and make the needed improvements as quickly as possible. We welcome the CCE back to campus in Fall 2017 to verify progress as we strive to meet and exceed all requirements.

Again, we thank CCE for the feedback and look forward to continued collegial interaction.

**Contact Information**

You may contact the Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE) by email at [cce@cce-usa.org](mailto:cce@cce-usa.org) or by phone at 480-443-8877, if you have any questions regarding this notice.

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