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### **DELIVERED VIA EMAIL ONLY**

October 13, 2023

Delores Duran-Cerda, PhD Interim Chancellor Pima County Community College District

Yolanda McCoy-Stokes, MSN, RN Nursing Director Pima County Community College 2202 West Anklam Road Tucson, AZ 85709-0150

Dear Dr. Duran-Cerda and Ms. McCoy-Stokes:

This letter is formal notification of the action taken by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) at its meeting in September 2023. The Board of Commissioners granted continuing accreditation to the associate nursing program and scheduled the next evaluation visit for Spring 2031. Please see ACEN Policy #9 Disclosure of Information About an Accredited Program for the required disclosure statement regarding this decision, which must be made to all current and prospective students within seven business days of this letter.

Deliberations centered on the materials available to the Board from this accreditation review process and the recommendation for accreditation proposed by the peer evaluators on the site visit team and the Evaluation Review Panel. Final decisions were made based on the 2023 Standards and Criteria.

The Board identified the following:

# Areas of Strength Standard 5 Resources, Criterion 5.1

 Recently, the nursing program was awarded three large grants for a total of almost \$3.4 million, allowing the program to add additional personnel and equipment, enhancing the laboratory and simulation spaces to increase student success.



### **Areas Needing Development**

## Standard I Mission and Administrative Capacity, Criterion 1.3

• Ensure that data from the assessment of end-of-program student learning outcomes are shared with the communities of interest.

### Standard 2 Faculty and Staff, Criterion 2.9

• Ensure full-time and part-time faculty performance is regularly evaluated in accordance with the governing organization's policy/procedures.

### Standard 6 Outcomes, Criteria 6.1, 6.3, and 6.4

- Ensure that assessment data are consistently analyzed and used in program decision-making for the maintenance and improvement of students' attainment of the end-of-program student learning outcomes.
- Ensure the program has identified an appropriate rationale for the completion rate ELA based on student demographics.
- Ensure documentation demonstrates the use of assessment data in program decision-making for the maintenance and improvement of students' completion of the nursing program.
- Review and revise the job placement outcome statement to be congruent with the ACEN
  definition of job placement by including an ELA with an appropriate timeframe and in a role for
  which they were prepared.
- Ensure assessment data are consistently analyzed for the maintenance and improvement of graduates' job placement.

Congratulations on this outstanding achievement! If you have questions about this action or about ACEN policies and procedures, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Kathy Chappell, PhD, RN, FNAP, FAAN

Chief Executive Officer