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Subject: Continued Accreditation Granted for 10 years

Dear Dr. Bonom:

The directors of the Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs (COA) are pleased to inform the The University of Tennessee College of Nursing Nurse Anesthesia Concentration, Knoxville, TN, that continued accreditation has been granted. This decision recognizes the program for providing a graduate level curriculum leading to the award of a Master’s of Science in Nursing (MSN) degree or a Post-Master's Certificate. A certificate designating this accreditation that is effective October 17, 2014 will be mailed under separate cover.

Given this action of the COA, the program will be scheduled for its next consideration of continued accreditation in Fall 2024. The COA may change this to an earlier time as a result of new or additional information, changes in the activities of your program, or changes needed in the accreditation review schedule. Your program will be notified of any change in advance of the time of the next review.

The 2011 Accreditation Policies and Procedures (page D3) manual states: “Established programs: Submit confidential and anonymous faculty and student evaluations at the midpoint of an accreditation cycle. For example, a program receiving a 10-year accreditation would submit evaluations at 5 years following the accreditation decision.” The COA uses an online evaluation process. Accordingly, we will send you instructions for the faculty and student online evaluations in Spring 2019. Students and faculty must submit the completed evaluations by June 1, 2019. All evaluations will then be reviewed by the COA at its Fall 2019 meeting.
Finally, the COA would like the program to know that very few programs are granted accreditation with no progress report required. Even fewer programs have achieved the maximum accreditation of ten years. Therefore, the directors of the COA are particularly pleased to offer their congratulations to everyone at the program who has demonstrated their commitment to meeting the requirements for continued accreditation.

Please accept the COA’s congratulations on the program’s performance in achieving maximum accreditation status.

Sincerely,

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