June 27, 2016

Jimmy G. Cheek, PhD
Chancellor
University of Tennessee
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Knoxville, TN 37996

Dear Chancellor Cheek:

On behalf of the Council on Education for Public Health, I am pleased to advise you that the CEPH Board of Councilors acted at its June 15-18, 2016 meeting to accredit the MPH Program at the University of Tennessee for a seven-year term, extending to July 1, 2023, with an interim report due in spring 2017. The interim report will address issues related to competencies and joint degree curricula.

We are enclosing a copy of the Council’s final accreditation report. This differs from the team’s report that you received prior to our meeting in several areas.

- The Council changed the finding for Criterion 2.1 (Degree Offerings) from partially met to met and updated language in this section. This change reflects information provided in the program’s response to the site visit team’s report.
- The Council changed the finding for Criterion 2.4 (Practice Experience) from met to partially met and updated language in this section. This change reflects information provided in the program’s response to the site visit team’s report.
- The Council changed the finding for Criterion 2.5 (Culminating Experience) from partially met to met with commentary and updated language in this section. This change reflects the Council’s review of information in the site visit team’s report, self-study and program’s response.
- The Council changed the finding for Criterion 4.1 (Faculty Qualifications) from partially met to met with commentary and updated language in this section. This change reflects information provided in the program’s response to the site visit team’s report.

We appreciated the many courtesies extended to the site visit team during its visit.

Sincerely,

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Donna J. Petersen, MHS, ScD, CPH
President

Enclosure

cc: Kathleen C. Brown, PhD, MPH
CEPH Councilors