May 21, 2018

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Dear Dr. Stith:

The Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) is pleased to inform you of its vote on **May 18, 2018** to award **continuing accreditation** to the Kinesiotherapy program at Norfolk State University, Norfolk, VA.

The recent peer review conducted by the Committee on Accreditation of Education Programs for Kinesiotherapy (CoA-KT) and CAAHEP’s Board of Directors recognizes the program’s substantial compliance with the nationally established accreditation Standards. The next comprehensive evaluation of the program, including an on-site review, is scheduled to occur no later than 2020.

The CoA-KT will regularly monitor the program’s compliance with the outcomes assessment thresholds through the program’s Annual Report as well as other documentation that may be requested (Standard IV.B.).

The following citation merits your institution’s attention and resolution in order to strengthen the program’s compliance with the Standards (for a complete copy of the Standards, check the CAAHEP website at www.caahep.org, or call the office at 727-210-2350):

**III.C. Resources-Curriculum**

The curriculum must ensure the achievement of program goals and learning domains. Instruction must be an appropriate sequence of classroom, laboratory, and clinical activities. Instruction must be based on clearly written course syllabi that include course description, course objectives, methods of evaluation, topic outline, and competencies required for graduation.

The program must demonstrate by comparison that the curriculum offered meets or exceeds the content of Standard 1 in the most current version of the CURRICULUM COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS (see Appendix B).

Instruction is not an appropriate sequence of classroom, laboratory and internship because students were placed in internship sites before first being taught the required clinical assessment and treatment skills in the classroom setting.

The program curriculum changes were submitted to the College Curriculum Committee for review.

*Submit documentation that proposed curriculum sequence changes schedule the internship following completion of all didactic courses.*

*Submit documentation that changes submitted to the College Curriculum Committee have been approved.*

Additionally, submit an update on the program’s October 2016 document entitled "Kinesiotherapy Program Action Plan” showing other specific accomplishments.
CAAHEP requests that a progress report be sent electronically to kareesak@gmail.com by July 02, 2018 indicating the manner in which this citation has been resolved.

Failure to respond satisfactorily to the citation above may result in a withdrawal of accreditation.

The accreditation standards are established by CAAHEP, CoA-KT, and American Kinesiotherapy Association (AKTA).

The commission commends you and your colleagues for your commitment to continuous quality improvement in education, as demonstrated by your participation in program accreditation. Questions concerning the submission or content of the progress report should be directed to the CoA-KT Executive Office.

Sincerely,

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