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Adreain Henry, Ed.D. OD President Mercy College of Health Sciences 928 6th Ave Des Moines, IA 50309

RE: Program #0444

Previous Accreditation Status: Probation
Most Recent Site Visit: 01/2023

Dear Dr. Henry:

After review of the requested progress report, the continuing accreditation status of the associate degree radiography program sponsored by Mercy College of Health Sciences was considered at the August 1, 2024 meeting of the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT). The JRCERT is the only agency recognized by the United States Department of Education (USDE) for the accreditation of traditional and distance delivery educational programs in radiography, radiation therapy, magnetic resonance, and medical dosimetry. Specialized accreditation awarded by the JRCERT offers institutions significant value by providing peer evaluation and by assuring the public of quality professional education in the radiologic sciences. The program was evaluated according to the **Standards for an Accredited Educational Program in Radiography (2021)**. The program now documents compliance with all relevant Standards; therefore, the JRCERT awards:

ACCREDITATION FOR A PERIOD OF EIGHT YEARS.

This equates to an award of eight years of accreditation effective from the date of the most recent site visit.

An interim report will be required. The projected date for submission of the interim report is the First Quarter of 2027. The JRCERT will provide program officials adequate notice of the due date for submission of the interim report. Based on the interim report, the JRCERT will determine if the accreditation award of eight years will be maintained or reduced, and the continuing accreditation process expedited.

If the accreditation award is maintained, the next site visit is tentatively scheduled for the First Quarter of 2031.

The program is advised that consistent with JRCERT Policy 11.600, the JRCERT reserves the right to conduct unannounced site visits of accredited programs. The sponsoring institution would be responsible for the expenses of any onsite evaluation.

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The Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology Directors and staff congratulate you and the program faculty for achieving the maximum award of accreditation from the JRCERT and wish you continued success in your efforts to provide a quality educational program. If we can be of further assistance, do not hesitate to contact the office.

Sincerely,

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