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Dear Ms. Malta,

The CSHSE Board has reviewed the submission of the requested information and has approved the removal of the conditional accreditation decision made at the October 2022 Board meeting. St Charles Community College's Human Services associate program is now accredited with no conditions. The accreditation cycle will be from October 2021 to October 2026. This cycle included the approved extension from October 2021-October 2022.

The Readers noted many strengths of the Program:

- SCC Human Services Program is the only CSHSE accredited program in the state of Missouri
- AAS graduates get recognition as BA- degreed equivalent Community Behavior Support Specialists.
- The development of "Practicum to Employment" agreement increased recruitment of students by local agencies and increased use of virtual technology.
- Solid history of partnering with local community and using agencies "fine-tune" the curriculum to achieve best practices and prepare students for employment.
- Over 300 graduates are working in local region at community agencies, providing resources, practicum supervision, and mentorship.
- Assessment tools used as required by Missouri Dept of Mental Health for assessing client needs.
- Enhanced curriculum components include: Trauma-Informed Care, Recover/Resiliency Model, Person-Centered Care, Nutrition, Health Literacy, Electronic Documentation, new course HMS 195 Professional Field Skills , and Nutrition for Weight Management



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The next accreditation cycle will be a reaccreditation with a site visit. The self-study submission and site visit must be completed within the timeline for the October 2026 Board review. **A copy of this letter must be included in your next self-study.**

As an accredited program, the Program must regularly review information on the CSHSE website, <https://cshse.org>, for any new changes in policies and standards. Your program must use the standards that are in effect at the time when the application is submitted for the next cycle.

During this accreditation cycle, your accredited program has the responsibility to maintain active CSHSE membership each year of the accreditation cycle for the accreditation status to remain in good standing. Refer to the Member Handbook, Accreditation and Self-Study Guidelines for updated information. Additionally, the accredited program shall ensure that the program representative contact information remains current with CSHSE and is updated as needed.

Please refer to the Board actions for maintaining accreditation in Appendix I of the Member Handbook. Your Program must ensure that program and student achievement indicators on the CSHSE website remain accurate (within 2 years of the current academic year) and the hyperlinks remain active. The CSHSE will review this information at each board meeting during the year: February, June, and October. Contact the CSHSE VPA if a hyperlink must be revised so that our website is current with your program information.

Congratulations on continuing an accredited program with the Council for Standards in Human Service Education and supporting quality and excellence human services education.

A formal certificate, signed by our President, Dr. Yvonne Chase, will be forthcoming.

Sincerely,

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