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Dear Ms. Schwartz:

It's my privilege to inform you that the MH/AS/DD Program at Columbus State Community College has been reaccredited for the period of May, 2015 through May, 2019. These dates reflect the one year extension that you received.

PROGRAM STRENGTHS

The readers of your self-study identified many strengths to include:

- Diversity woven throughout the curriculum
- The opportunity for students to take tracks that interest them
- Strong faculty academic and clinical experience
- Good articulation agreements with nearby universities
- The Associates Degree combined with multiple certificates Provides increased employment opportunities in the field of Human Services
- Admission criteria to the program
- Significant practicum experience
- Well-constructed course assignments and rubrics
- Program improvements since the last accreditation
- Collaboration with an agency that has an electronic documentation training lab
- Courses accepted by the Ohio Chemical Dependency Board and license renewal for social workers, counselors, and marriage and family therapists.

REQUIREMENTS FOR NEXT REACCREDITATION

The readers found no areas related to the standards that are in need of remediation for the next accreditation cycle.

RECOMMENDATIONS NOT RELATED TO THE STANDARDS

The Council strongly supports the direction being taken to include Human Services in the title of the program. In order to clearly delineate Human Services as a field separate from Social work, the following recommendations, though not required, are submitted for your consideration:

- The course Introduction to Social Work could be retitled to include Human Services; for instance "Introduction to Social Work/Human Services
- Consider incorporating Human Services specific books into the curriculum
- Incorporate Human Services in the nomenclature of the program; for example, consider changing some of the course prefixes to reflect Human Services.

The readers also suggest that the matrix and the narrative are in better alignment for the next self-study. This would make the study more user friendly for the readers.

Your next reaccreditation, in May, 2019, will require a site visit. Please adhere to the timelines in the member handbook on the Council website www.CSHSE.org. A copy of the letter must accompany your self-study.

A letter and certificate of accreditation, signed by Elaine Green, President of CSHSE, will be forthcoming.

Congratulations on being one of our exemplary accredited programs!

Sincerely,

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