



# Council for Standards in Human Service Education

*Assuring best practices in Human Service Education through  
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Dear Mr. Sida,

The CSHSE Board reviewed the submitted requested information for Standards that needed a response by October 2020. Upon review of the submitted information, the Board voted to approve the removal of the conditional accreditation status. Great Basin College-Nevada Human Services AAS program is accredited with no conditions from October 2018-October 2023, which includes the approved one-year extension and conditional accreditation period. The next accreditation cycle will require a site visit.

The Readers did note the following strengths of the program:

- The institution is committed to maintaining the program.
- The program offers state-wide articulation of courses.
- The program focuses on a client-centered environmental support model.
- The program offers affordable human service education across Nevada and surrounding rural areas of other states.
- The program has a strong focus on substance abuse
- The sole program director demonstrates persistence and resiliency in sustaining the human service program
- The program is offered online to address the demographic needs of the student population.

## **ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS**

The CSHSE Board is recommending the following to enhance the quality of the program:

- In response to the conditional accreditation requirements, the program made curriculum changes for skill-based standards and specifications. Ensure that the program continues to demonstrate and document student behavioral assessment outcomes for the online skill-based assessments.
- Ensure that Standards and Specifications are supported by data or documented evidence.
- To maintain confidentiality, redact names on documented evidence.
- Incorporate the National Organization of Human Services Code of Ethics

for the generalist program.

As stated above, your next accreditation cycle will include a site visit and must be completed for the June 2023 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 ASCENT Management, LLC 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, February, June, and October. Contact the CSHSE VPA or ASCENT Management, LLC if a hyperlink must be revised so that our website is current with your program information.

Congratulations on continuing your program accreditation. A formal certificate, signed by our President, Dr. Yvonne Chase, will be forthcoming.

Sincerely,



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