



National Accrediting Agency
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May 29, 2020

Jane Karas, PhD
President
Flathead Valley Community College
777 Grandview Dr.
Kalispell, MT 59901

Dear President Karas:

Enclosed is the NAACLS Board of Directors' official accreditation award for your Medical Laboratory Technician program from the April 23, 2020 meeting.

The Board of Directors' award is based on the initial accreditation review process that included a site visit of your program during fall of 2019.

Accreditation for your program will continue until April 30, 2025. As a result, your program will commence renewal of accreditation with submission of the Self-Study Report on April 1, 2024 and the scheduling of a site visit during fall of 2024. We provide this information to assist you in your program's administrative and financial planning.

This letter and the accompanying award represent formal accreditation by NAACLS. The NAACLS Certificate of Accreditation will be forwarded to the Program Director.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Peter Hu". The signature is stylized with a large, looped initial "P" and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Peter Hu, PhD, MLS(ASCP), CGcm, MBcm, FACSc
President, NAACLS Board of Directors

cc: Terry Kotrla, MS, MT(ASCP)BB, Program Director
Chris Clouse, PhD, Director of Educational Services

Enclosure: NAACLS Board of Directors' Accreditation Award

NAACLS BOARD OF DIRECTORS' ACCREDITATION AWARD

The Medical Laboratory Technician Program of **Flathead Valley Community College** in **Kalispell, Montana**, is awarded **Initial Accreditation for five (5) years**.

This initial program must submit a Progress Report documenting compliance with the following Standards **electronically** by **April 1, 2022**.

Standard II.B

Outcome Measures

A review of the results of the following outcomes measures from at least the last three active years must be documented, analyzed and used in program assessment and continuous quality improvement of the program to include an annual submission to NAACLS. If outcome measure(s) does/do not meet the stated NAACLS approved benchmarks (see Standards Compliance Guide), then an analysis and action plan must be submitted to correct the deficiency (ies).

1. External certification results
2. Graduation rates
3. Placement rates (i.e., employment positions in the field of study or pursuit of further education)
4. Attrition rates
5. Other (optional): such as results of capstone projects, faculty feedback, exit or final examinations, exit interviews with graduates, student and graduate professional leadership, impact of the program on local and regional healthcare, etc.

Standard II.C

Program Assessment and Modification

The results of program outcomes measures and assessment must include findings from graduate and employer feedback and be:

1. Reflected in ongoing curriculum development, resource acquisition/allocation, and program modification.
2. Analyzed to demonstrate the effectiveness of any changes implemented.

Failure to submit the required report by the due date may result in Administrative Probation.

Terry Kotrla, MS, MT(ASCP)BB is recognized as Program Director.



Peter Hu, PhD, MLS(ASCP), CGcm, MBcm, FACSc
President, NAACLS Board of Directors



Dianne M. Cearlock, PhD
Chief Executive Officer

April 23rd, 2020