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January 27, 2021

Tammy Vant Hul, PhD, MSN, RN, ACNP, CNE  
Dean/Director  
Riverside City College  
4800 Magnolia Avenue  
Riverside, CA 92506

Dear Dr. Vant Hul:

Congratulations! It is my pleasure to inform you that your application for candidacy has been granted for the practical nursing program at Riverside City College. Your candidate status is valid for two years, expiring in January 2023; therefore, the initial accreditation site visit must take place before January 27, 2023. Please note that approval of candidacy does not guarantee that the program will achieve initial accreditation. If this candidacy period leads to initial accreditation, the effective date of that initial accreditation will be the date of this letter: January 27, 2021.

The ACEN's goal is to promote quality nursing education and to support you and your faculty in the accreditation process. Two comprehensive and independent reviews of your program's Candidacy Presentation have been completed by professional staff.

The decision to grant candidacy status is based on the nursing program (a) demonstrating it is currently compliant with selected ACEN Standards and Criteria and (b) demonstrating the potential to achieve ACEN accreditation based upon the selected ACEN Standards and Criteria reviewed in the Candidacy Presentation. Please note that the program must demonstrate compliance with **all** ACEN Standards and Criteria at the time of the site visit. To assist in your continued development toward initial accreditation review, please see the attached staff comments.

The table on the following page provides the dates by which the Information Form for Accreditation Site Visit must be submitted. This form is available on the ACEN website under *Resources for Nursing Programs*. The final Cycle during which the practical nursing program may schedule a visit is the Fall 2022 Cycle.

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| Information Form Due Date | Site Visit Cycle |
|---------------------------|------------------|
| March 1, 2021             | Fall 2021        |
| July 1, 2021              | Spring 2022      |
| March 1, 2022             | Fall 2022        |

In keeping with ACEN policy, your program will be added to our listing of candidates (website and directory). Programs that achieve candidate status must publicly disclose the following information exactly as illustrated below:

Effective January 27, 2021, this nursing program is a candidate for initial accreditation by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing. This candidacy status expires on January 27, 2023.

Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)  
3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850  
Atlanta, GA 30326  
(404) 975-5000  
<http://www.acenursing.us/candidates/candidacy.asp>

Note: Upon granting of initial accreditation by the ACEN Board of Commissioners, the effective date of initial accreditation is the date on which the nursing program was approved by the ACEN as a candidate program that concluded in the Board of Commissioners granting initial accreditation

I encourage you to continue working with your mentor, Dr. Nell Ard, and affirm your planned date for review for initial accreditation. Dr. Ard can be reached at (404) 975-5004 or via email at [nard@acenursing.org](mailto:nard@acenursing.org). If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Marsal P. Stoll, EdD, MSN  
Chief Executive Officer

Enclosure