



*Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology*  
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**RE: Program #4580**

**Previous Accreditation Status: 5 Years**

**Most Recent Site Visit: 10/2025**

Dear Mr. Bickel

The Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) appreciated the opportunity to evaluate the certificate radiography program sponsored by Columbus Regional Hospital. The JRCERT is the only agency recognized by the United States Department of Education (USDE) and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) for the accreditation of traditional and distance delivery educational programs in radiography, radiation therapy, magnetic resonance, and medical dosimetry. Specialized accreditation awarded by the JRCERT offers institutions significant value by providing peer evaluation and by assuring the public of quality professional education in the radiologic sciences.

The continuing accreditation status of the program was considered at the April 17, 2026 meeting of the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology. The program was evaluated according to the **Standards for an Accredited Educational Program in Radiography (2021)**. The JRCERT awards:

**ACCREDITATION FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS.**

Consistent with JRCERT Policy 10.100, this accreditation action is not subject to appeal.

The maximum duration that may be awarded by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology in this category is eight years.

The JRCERT, after reviewing the findings of the site visit team and the program's response to the report of findings, has determined that the program is in non-compliance with **Standards One, Four, and Six:**

**Objective 1.1** - The sponsoring institution and program provide students, faculty, and the public with policies, procedures, and relevant information. Policies and procedures must be fair, equitably applied, and readily available. (Develop and provide a contingency plan that addresses any type of catastrophic event that could affect student learning and program operations. The JRCERT provides a Contingency Plan Guidelines document on its website under Program Resources for program guidance, if needed.)

**Objective 4.2** - The program provides a well-structured curriculum that prepares students to practice in the professional discipline. (Provide documentation that clinical preceptors have been formally oriented and are cognizant of the clinical evaluation process at the program's clinical settings.)

**Objective 6.5** - The program periodically reevaluates its assessment process to assure continuous program improvement. (Provide documentation that the program has reviewed and updated its assessment plan to assure areas of analysis are providing valuable information to make evidence-based decisions.)

Therefore, a progress report documenting compliance with these objectives is required by **September 1, 2026**. The progress report must be submitted via the JRCERT Accreditation Management System (AMS) and will be considered by the Board of Directors at the next available meeting after submission. Based on evaluation of the progress report, the Board of Directors will determine the appropriate accreditation action. An additional progress report may be required if the objectives are not adequately addressed.

Consistent with JRCERT Policy 11.400, the maximum compliance timeframe is 24-months. Therefore, the program must document compliance with all accreditation standards no later than **April 17, 2028** or request a [good cause extension](#) identifying mitigating circumstances hindering the attainment of this outcome for consideration by the JRCERT Board of Directors.

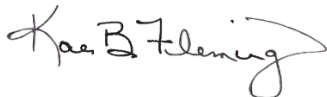
As required by the USDE and consistent with the maximum compliance timeframes set forth in JRCERT Policy 11.400, when the JRCERT Board of Directors determines that a program has failed to document compliance with the Standards and has not satisfactorily addressed the identified deficiencies, the existing accreditation status will be withdrawn. Such involuntary withdrawal of accreditation is considered an adverse accreditation action. The JRCERT defines an adverse action as probationary accreditation, any reduction in accreditation award that initiates a compliance timeframe, involuntary withdrawal, or withholding accreditation. Involuntary withdrawal of accreditation will generally, but not necessarily, occur after a Probationary Accreditation status has been awarded. The board may take adverse action prior to the expiration of the maximum compliance timeframe. An adverse accreditation action requires written notification to the United States Secretary of Education, the appropriate state licensing or authorizing agency, appropriate institutional and/or other accrediting agencies, and the public.

Consistent with JRCERT Policy 11.500 the JRCERT has determined that program officials would benefit from a JRCERT-sponsored Outcomes Assessment Workshop. Documentation of the program director's attendance at an Outcomes Assessment Workshop must be submitted no later than **April 17, 2027**. A complete listing of dates and locations for all JRCERT-sponsored seminars and workshops is available at [www.jrcert.org/events](http://www.jrcert.org/events).

The program is advised that consistent with JRCERT Policy 11.600, the JRCERT reserves the right to conduct unannounced site visits to accredited programs. The sponsoring institution would be responsible for the expenses of any onsite evaluation.

The Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology Directors and staff encourage you and the program faculty to continue your efforts in developing a quality educational program. If we can be of further assistance, do not hesitate to contact the office.

Sincerely,



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