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MEMORANDUM

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To: Chief Executive Officers, CCNE-Affiliated Colleges and Universities
Chief Nurse Administrators, CCNE-Affiliated Nursing Programs
CCNE On-Site Evaluators
Accrediting Agencies
Selected Federal Agencies
National Nursing Organizations
State Boards of Nursing
Statewide Higher Education Agencies
Other Interested Parties

From: Debra Davis, PhD, Co-Chair, CCNE Standards Committee
Jane C. Voglewede, JD, Co-Chair, Standards Committee

Re: CCNE Call for Comments: *Standards for Accreditation of Baccalaureate and Graduate Nursing Programs (2013)*

The Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) has initiated a comprehensive review and revision of the accreditation standards that are used to evaluate baccalaureate and graduate nursing programs nationally. An open invitation to suggest changes is extended to all interested parties, including university and program administrators, faculty, practitioners, agency representatives, employers, students, and others with an interest in the preparation of competent nurses.

To review the current language in the *Standards for Accreditation of Baccalaureate and Graduate Nursing Programs (2013)*, please visit the CCNE website at <http://www.aacn.nche.edu/ccne-accreditation/Standards-Amended-2013.pdf>.

Comments may be submitted via:

- an online survey at <https://fs9.formsite.com/ccne/form42/index.html> (this survey will take approximately 20 minutes to complete)
- email at CCNEStandards@aacn.nche.edu

Comments on the current *Standards for Accreditation of Baccalaureate and Graduate Nursing Programs (2013)* must be received at the CCNE offices by no later than May 5, 2017.

Comments may be directed at the standards in their entirety or at any individual standard or key element. Please be specific in offering your comments, including specific language you would like to see incorporated, deleted, or amended in the *Standards*.

The CCNE Standards Committee looks forward to receiving and considering your comments as part of the revision process. Members of the CCNE 2016-2017 Standards Committee can be found on the CCNE website at <http://www.aacn.nche.edu/ccne-accreditation/about/committees-and-task-forces/standards>.

Final approval of the accreditation standards rests with the CCNE Board of Commissioners. A list of the CCNE Board of Commissioners is available at <http://www.aacn.nche.edu/ccne-accreditation/about/board-of-commissioners>.

If you have any questions about the standards revision process, please contact Lori Schroeder, CCNE Director of Accreditation Services, at (202) 887-6791 x253 or lschroeder@aacn.nche.edu. Thank you.

