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**VIA ARMATURE** 

Dr. Daniel Wilson, President Western University of Health Sciences Office of the President 309 E. Second Street-College Plaza Pomona, CA 91766-1854

Dear Dr. Wilson:

During its September 22-24, 2019 meeting, the American Veterinary Medical Association Council on Education (COE) conducted a review of Western University of Health Sciences College of Veterinary Medicine. This review consisted of the college [•••stoudy, the report from the site visit team, and the college [•  $CE \cdot \%$  } v• š } š Z •] š š u [• CE % } CE % CE % } CE % } CE % } CE % C

To summarize, a minor deficiency has minimal or no effect on student learning or safety and is readily corrected in one year. It must be corrected in one year to avoid a change in the accreditation status.

The college is required to submit a plan to the COE within 30 days of the status notification. The plan must be submitted by November 25, 2019. The plan must outline steps to correct the deficiencies and provide a time table for completion. Progress reports to the COE are required every six months, one being the interim report. If at the end of one year the college provides evidence that the deficiency has been corrected, the college may be granted Accredited status for the remainder of the accreditation cycle. If the minor deficiency is not corrected within one year the college will be placed on Probationary Accreditation status for one additional year.

teaching spaces shall be clean, maintained in good repair, and adequate in number, size, and equipment for the instructional purposes intended and the number of students enrolled.

An accredited college must maintain an on-campus veterinary teaching hospital(s), or have formal affiliation with one or more off-campus veterinary hospitals used for teaching. Appropriate diagnostic and therapeutic service components including but not limited to pharmacy, diagnostic imaging, diagnostic support services, isolation facilities, intensive/critical care, ambulatory/field service vehicles, and necropsy facilities to support the teaching hospital(s) or facilities must be provided to support the teaching hospital(s) or facilities and procedures posted in appropriate places.

Directives:

- 1. The CVM must ensure that all core distributive sites have appropriate housekeeping and maintenance, are in compliance with appropriate safety measures, and have appropriate posting of signage and protocols.
- 2. Controlled substances at all core distributive sites must be appropriately managed to minimize the potential for diversion.

## Standard6 t Students

## Minor Deficiency:

Colleges should establish post-DVM/VMD programs such as internships, residencies, and advanced degrees (for example, MS, PhD), that complement and strengthen the professional program and not adversely affect the veterinary student experience

Directives:

1. The college should establish post-DVM training programs.

## Standard9 t Curriculum

Minor Deficiency:

The curriculum as a whole must be reviewed at least every seven (7) years.

Directives:

- 1. The curriculum review must be completed as planned.
- 2. Ourricular changes since the last accreditation site visit must be completed to adequately reflect appropriate curricular review and management.

The Council requests that the following additional reporting be included in your next interim report due

The Council urges you to review the Report of Evaluation for any suggestions for improving the program. A list of distributive clinical sites with remaining non-compliance issues and a

