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Dear Pharmacy Dean:

The ACPE Board of Directors met this week and approved the draft of Standards 2025. Below are the specifics. I will be sending out another letter with details about other actions taken by the Board at the January 24-26, 2024 meeting during the second week of February.

Standards Revision Update

As you know, the ACPE Board of Directors has been working on drafting Standards 2025. All comments received via the online survey, letters, meetings, and email were discussed as part of the standards revision process. The Board has approved a final draft of Standards 2025 at the recent January 2024 meeting and is releasing the draft copy to the public for comment. The Board will review all comments received on the draft and finalize the Standards for release on July 1, 2024, with implementation of the new Standards on July 1, 2025. This timeframe will allow 12 months between the release of the new standards and their implementation. A new rubric to support Standards 2025 has also been released along with a crosswalk between Standards 2016 and Draft Standards 2025. The documents can be found on our website at: https://www.acpe-accredit.org/pharmd-call-for-comments-standards-2025-2/.

Comments on the new draft Standards 2025 can be submitted at: https://acpe-accredit.formstack.com/forms/standards_revision_2025 or you can send an email to: Standards@acpe-accredit.org.

Town halls will be held at the AACP Interim Meeting in Phoenix and via zoom with the AACP Council of Faculties on March 12, 2024 at 11am central and with the AACP Council of Deans on March14, 2024 at 11am central. Please see AACP Connect for further details and the zoom sign-in information.

With the implementation of Standards 2025 in July 2025, the use of the current AACP Assessment and Accreditation Management System (AAMS) will be discontinued as the platform for self-studies. It will be replaced by the ACPE Self-Study Reporting System. More information about this tool will be provided closer to the launch of the new Standards. Programs evaluated prior to July 2025 will be reviewed against Standards 2016 using the AAMS platform.

We look forward to receiving your feedback on these documents as we work together to assure quality education for all of our students.

Sincerely yours,

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