New policy interpretation by the United States Veterans Administration (VA) requires notification by July 1st that graduates seeking residency training in a VA facility have graduated from a Doctor of Pharmacy program holding Accredited status. To assist eligible graduates, the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) Board of Directors is providing an Early Report of Proceedings of the January 20-22, 2021, meeting for those programs seeking advancement from Candidate status to Accredited status.

In order to be eligible for initial accreditation, the Doctor of Pharmacy program must be part of an independent College or School of Pharmacy or a College or School of Pharmacy within a University that is regularly incorporated and is a legally empowered postsecondary educational institution. The independent College or School or the University must be accredited by (or actively seeking such status and in good standing with) a regional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education or another agency acceptable to the ACPE. Accreditation standards require a College or School of Pharmacy to be an organizational unit and the administrative structure of the College or School of Pharmacy must provide for a Dean who serves as the chief administrative and academic officer. Evaluation for purposes of initial accreditation requires an invitation by the chief executive officer or designate of the institution.

The dates indicated in parentheses for each College or School are the academic year of the most recent determination of accreditation status and the academic year of the next scheduled comprehensive or focused review for determination of accreditation status, and thus define the present accreditation term for the Doctor of Pharmacy program.

**For Purposes of Considering: Advancement from Candidate Status to Accredited Status**

- **High Point University Fred Wilson School of Pharmacy**

- **Marshall B. Ketchum University College of Pharmacy**

- **Medical College of Wisconsin School of Pharmacy**

*Reflects 6-month term extension due to COVID-19 pandemic.