

November 5, 2010 VIA E-MAIL

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Subject: Continued Accreditation Granted for 10 years

Dear Dr. O'Sullivan:

The directors of the Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs (COA) are pleased to inform The University of Iowa College of Nursing Anesthesia Nursing Program, Iowa City, IA that continued accreditation has been granted. This decision recognizes the program for providing a graduate level curriculum leading to the award of the Master of Science in Nursing and the Doctor of Nursing Practice degrees. A certificate designating this accreditation that is effective October 15, 2010 will be sent to the program under separate cover.

Given this action of the COA, the program will be scheduled for its next consideration of continued accreditation in Fall 2020. The COA may change this to an earlier time as a result of new or additional information, changes in the activities of your program, or changes needed in the accreditation review schedule. Your program will be notified of any change in advance of the time of the next review.

The 1996 <u>Accreditation Policies and Procedures</u> (page D3) manual states: "Established programs must submit anonymous faculty and student evaluations at the mid-point of an accreditation cycle. For example, a program receiving a 10 year accreditation would submit evaluations at 5 years following the accreditation decision." Accordingly, we will send you copies of the student and faculty evaluation forms in **Spring 2015**. These are to be copied and distributed for completion by students and faculty. The students should complete their reports and return them in one envelope to this address on or before **June 1, 2015**. The faculty should do the same by **June 1, 2015**. All evaluations will then be reviewed by the COA at its **Fall 2015** meeting.

Finally, the COA would like the program to know that very few programs are granted accreditation with no progress report required. Even fewer programs have achieved the maximum accreditation of ten years. Therefore, the directors of the COA are particularly pleased to offer their congratulations to everyone at the program who has demonstrated their commitment to meeting the requirements for continued accreditation.

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Please accept the COA's congratulations on the program's performance in achieving maximum accreditation status.

Sincerely,

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