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Dear Ms. Hamilton:

This letter is to advise you of the action of the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND®) Board regarding the Dietetic Technician Program at Pierpont Community and Technical College. During its recent meeting, the ACEND Board made an accreditation decision based on your program's self-study report, site visit and program response. See the attached Accreditation Action Report for the status of this decision.

Programs are required to notify ACEND of any substantive changes to the program that have the potential for affecting the accreditation status of the program. Guidelines for requesting substantive changes are posted on the ACEND website: [Substantive Program Change Guidelines](#)

ACEND values your commitment to students and the quality and continued improvement of dietetics education as demonstrated during the accreditation process. If you have any questions, please contact Amy Anichini-Schaal at 800-877-1600 ext. 4898 or aanichini@eatright.org.

Sincerely,



James Swain, PhD, RD, LD, FAND, Chair
Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics

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Attachment: Accreditation Action Report

cc: Anthony Hancock, Ph.D., Interim President
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ACCREDITATION ACTION REPORT

Program Name and Type: Pierpont Community and Technical College Dietetic Technician Program

Accreditation Action:

Grant full accreditation for a seven-year term ending **June 30, 2030**.

Decision Date: October 24, 2022

Rationale:

The decision was based on a peer review of the self-study report, site visit report and program response to the site visit report demonstrating that the program is in compliance with the 2022 ACEND Accreditation Standards.

Program Accreditation Details:

To access complete information about your program's accreditation status, sign into the [ACEND Portal](#).

Next Site Visit: The next accreditation site visit will be scheduled in January-June 2029. ACEND staff will notify the Program approximately one year in advance of the site visit inviting the program to apply for continued accreditation under the Accreditation Standards in effect at that time.

Next Review by the ACEND Board: 2030

Degree Level: Accreditation is granted for an associate degree program

Enrollment: Accreditation is granted for a maximum enrollment of 15 first-year and 15 second-year students.

Areas to Address:

None