

## Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to outline the conditions and procedures under which a program may receive conditional accreditation from the DABOG. Conditional accreditation allows a program to address specific deficiencies identified during the site visit while demonstrating compliance with other accreditation standards.

## Scope

This policy applies to all accredited programs seeking reaccreditation.

## Eligibility for Conditional Accreditation

Programs may be granted conditional accreditation if:

- a. The program evaluation team identifies deficiencies that are deemed correctable within a specified period.
- b. The entity demonstrates substantial compliance with the majority of the accreditation standards.

## Conditions for Granting Conditional Accreditation

Conditional accreditation may be granted under the following conditions:

- A detailed action plan is submitted by the program addressing how and when the deficiencies will be corrected.
- The action plan must be approved by the program evaluation team and the DABOG.
- The program must agree to regular progress reports as stipulated by the program evaluation team and DABOG.

## Process

- a. **Site Visit Report:** The program evaluation team identifies deficiencies and recommends conditional accreditation.
- b. **Action Plan Submission:** The program submits an action plan within 30 days of receiving the site visit report.
- c. **Approval of Action Plan:** The action plan is reviewed and approved by the program evaluation team and DABOG.
- d. **Conditional Accreditation Granted:** If the action plan is approved, the entity is granted conditional accreditation for a period not exceeding 6 months.
- e. **Progress Reports:** The entity submits progress reports as stipulated in the action plan.
- f. **Follow-Up Visit:** A follow-up visit may be conducted if deemed necessary by the program evaluation team or DABOG.

## Review and Final Decision

- a. At the end of the conditional accreditation period, the program evaluation team reviews the progress made by the entity.
- b. A final report is submitted to the DABOG for review and decision.
- c. The DABOG may:

- Grant full accreditation if all deficiencies are corrected.
- Extend conditional accreditation for an additional period if substantial progress is made.
- Deny accreditation if deficiencies are not corrected.

## Appeals

Refer to the appeals policy.

## Documentation and Records

All documentation related to conditional accreditation, including action plans, progress reports, and final decisions, must be maintained in the program's accreditation file.

## Communication

IFSAC Administration will communicate all decisions regarding conditional accreditation to the program in writing, including specific deficiencies, required actions, and timelines.

## Monitoring and Compliance

The program is responsible for adhering to the action plan and submitting timely progress reports. The program evaluation team and Administration will monitor compliance and provide guidance as necessary.

## Effective Date

This policy is effective as of October 5, 2024, and supersedes any previous policies related to conditional accreditation.

## Review and Amendments

This policy will be reviewed annually by the Degree Assembly Planning Coordination Committee (DAPCC) and may be amended as necessary to ensure its effectiveness and alignment with IFSAC's mission and standards.

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For questions or further information regarding this policy and procedure, please contact IFSAC Administration.