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# PUBLIC DISCLOSURE NOTICE LIFE UNIVERSITY - COLLEGE OF CHIROPRACTIC (LUCC) Marietta, Georgia Effective: November 1, 2024

The doctor of chiropractic degree program ("the Program") at Life University - College of Chiropractic in Marietta, Georgia is accredited by the Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE). As of the above date, the Program has been placed on Probation. The Council took this action due to a noncompliance concern related to licensing exam success rates.

# **Recent Council Action**

On July 18, 2024, the Council placed the Program on Probation. At the same time, the Council notified the Program that the decision would not become final until after 20 days following receipt of the notification letter, during which time the Program could exercise its right to appeal, since the Council's procedures define probation as an appealable decision. In accordance with CCE Policy 8, on August 7, 2024, the Program provided a notice of intent to appeal to the Council and subsequently an appeal hearing was scheduled on October 24, 2024. The appeals panel issued a report to the program and the Council Chair on November 1, 2024, affirming all the actions of the Council at their July 2024 meeting.

The Council determined the Program is in significant noncompliance with the following requirements:

 CCE Accreditation Standards, Section 2.A.4 and CCE Policy 56, whereas the LUCC four-year weighted average of licensing exam success rates at 77 percent remains below the established four-year threshold of 80 percent, as required by CCE Policy 56.

### **Probation**

In accordance with the CCE Standards, Section 1.V, Noncompliance Actions, probation is an action reflecting the conclusion of the Council that a program is in significant noncompliance with accreditation standards or policy requirements. The Council may require the Program to submit a report, host a site visit and/or make an appearance before the Council to provide evidence of compliance. Probation is a sanction, subject to appeal, and shall not exceed twenty-four (24) months. The Council will make public notice of a final decision to impose Probation by notifying the U.S. Department of Education, institutional accrediting agency, jurisdictional licensing boards, and the public that a program has been placed on Probation in accordance with CCE policy and procedures.

Also, the Council determined the noncompliance reflects recurrent noncompliance with one or more particular standard and/or policy, as well as an area for which notice to the public is required in order to serve the best interests of students and prospective students.

During the Probation period, the Program remains accredited and has the opportunity to remedy the noncompliance concerns that led to the sanction.

# **Next Steps**

The Program is required to submit a Progress Report no later than February 3, 2025, in conjunction with the Interim Report and in preparation for a scheduled interim site visit in the spring of 2025, specifically addressing the noncompliance concern listed above and providing evidence that the Program is in compliance with the respective *Standards and Policy*.

At its meeting in July 2025, the Council will review the February 2025 LUCC Interim Report and Spring 2025 LUCC Response to the Site Visit Report. The Council will then determine whether the Program has demonstrated compliance with the Standards identified in the action and whether Probation can be removed, or the Program has not demonstrated compliance and other action may be appropriate.

# **Contact Information**

You may contact the Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE) by email at <a href="mailto:cce@cce-usa.org">cce@cce-usa.org</a> or by phone at 480-443-8877, if you have any questions regarding this notice.

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