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TO: Secretary of Education; U.S. Department of Education
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SUBJECT: Substantive Change Actions on Institutions

The Committee on Substantive Change of the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACCJC) took actions on substantive changes of institutions at its Committee meeting held May 7, 2015.

Actions on Institutions

In accordance with 34 CFR §602.26(a), you are being provided with notice of these actions no later than 30 days following the Committee decision. The list of actions is attached here. In addition, the list of accreditation actions is posted on the ACCJC website at:

<http://www.accjc.org/actions-on-institutions>

If you have any questions please contact the ACCJC office.

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Substantive Change Committee Actions

At its **May 7, 2015** meeting, the Committee on Substantive Change of the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, took the following actions:

Butte College: approved the proposal for the college to offer an Associate Degree in Social and Behavioral Science at 50% or more at the Glenn County Center.

Carrington College: approved the proposal to offer two existing Certificate of Achievement programs in Medical Assisting and Pharmacy Technology in a distance education/hybrid format.

Citrus College: approved the proposal for the expansion of the distance education program to include 15 associate degrees and one certificate program offered 50% or more online.

College of Alameda: approved the proposal for the new location at 800 Atlantic Avenue, Alameda, where the Biology, Chemistry, and Physics programs will be offered pending a site visit.

College of San Mateo: approved the proposal for a new Certificate of Achievement in Astroimaging and Observatory Operation.

College of the Redwoods: approved two proposals for 1) change in responsibility of the Mendocino Coast Education Center, and 2) expansion of the distance education program to include an additional seven degrees and one certificate program offered 50% or more online.

College of the Siskiyous: approved the proposal pending additional information for the expansion of the distance education program which now includes a total of 38 associate degrees and certificate programs offered 50% or more online.

Cuyamaca College: approved the proposal for the expansion of the distance education program to include an additional 19 associate degrees and three certificate programs offered 50% or more online.

Foothill College: approved the proposal for the Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene; a site visit is required.

Laney College: approved the proposal to offer 13 associate degrees and four certificate programs 50% or more through distance education.

Mendocino College: approved the proposal to offer programs outside the geographic region it currently serves and within the boundaries of the Redwoods Community College District service area.

Palau Community College: approved the proposal to offer an Associate of Applied Science in Palauan Studies.

Rio Hondo College: approved the proposal to offer 22 associate degrees and 11 certificate programs offered 50% or more through distance education, pending additional information.

San Diego Mesa College: approved the proposal to offer a Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management pending approval by the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM); a site visit is required.

San Joaquin Valley College: approved, pending additional information, the proposal to offer the Registered Nursing Program at the Ontario Campus; additional information was received May 8, 2015.

Santa Ana College: approved two proposals to add 1) a Bachelor of Science in Occupational Studies pending approval by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE); a site visit is required, and 2) Certificates of Achievement in Biotechnology Laboratory Technician, and Quality Control Microbiology.

Shasta College: approved the proposal to offer 69 associate degrees and 22 certificate programs offered 50% or more through distance education.

Skyline College: approved proposal to add a Bachelor of Science in Respiratory Care; a site visit is required.