ARC-PA Accreditation Continuing Review Process

June 2023

ARC-PA schedules and confirms a Validation Visit date

Status:
Accreditation – Continued

Program completes application and self-study report

Application materials are submitted to ARC-PA **12 weeks** prior to visit

Program and the ARC-PA develop a tentative agenda for Validation Visit

The agenda is confirmed with Site Visit Team Chair

Validation Visit occurs (In Person)

Written Observation Report of visit provided to Program Director

Optional response to Observation Report submitted by program

Commission reviews:

- All application materials
- Site Visit team report
- Response to observations
- Program accreditation history

ARC-PA renders an Accreditation Status

The sponsoring institution receives an accreditation status and conditions for maintenance of status

The following are **ongoing responsibilities** for accredited programs

- Complying with ARC-PA **reporting procedures**
- Timely updating of the **Portal**
- Timely updating of program **website**
- Submission of **Program Annual Report and other reports as required**

The following **Program Changes** require informing the ARC-PA using the instructions and forms on the website at http://www.arc-pa.org/program-change-forms/

- change in graduation requirements
- change in credential offered
- change in curriculum
- change in program length
- change in personnel
- temporary vacancy of personnel
- increase in class size
- change in program sponsorship
- decrease in program support

Expansion to distant campus

Process includes:

- Application
- Scheduling of site visit
- ARC-PA approval

See separate details regarding Expansion to Distant Campus