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Dear Dr. Carter:

This letter is formal notification of the action taken by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) at its meeting on March 12-13, 2015. The Board of Commissioners granted initial accreditation to the master's nursing program and scheduled the next evaluation visit for Fall 2019. The details of the accreditation visit and the decision put forth by the Board of Commissioners have been sent to the program's nurse administrator.

Congratulations on this outstanding achievement! We look forward to continued successes for your nursing program. If you have questions about this action or about ACEN policies and procedures, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Marsal P. Stoll, EdD, MSN Chief Executive Officer