Notice to Communities of Interest to Comment on Program

CCNE TO CONDUCT A CONTINUING ACCREDITATION VISIT ON THE BACCALUREATE AND MASTERS PROGRAMS AND AN INITIAL ACCREDIATION OF THE DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI SCHOOL OF NURSING

On April 18-20 the University Of Southern Mississippi School Of Nursing will seek continuing national accreditation of its existing programs and initial accreditation of our Doctor of Nursing Practice program from the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) which is recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education. As a member of the School’s constituency and community of interest, we invite you to submit comments to CCNE at the address provided below.

We hope that you will take advantage of this opportunity to comment upon the achievements of the School of Nursing related to accreditation standards. CCNE shares third-party comments with members of the evaluation team prior to the visit, but at no time during the visit and review process are the comments shared with the site. Having a continuous quality improvement approach, the CCNE evaluates the effectiveness and quality of nursing programs based on standards related to the following four areas:

1. Mission and Governance
2. Institutional Commitment and Resources
3. Teaching-Learning Practices
4. Student Performance and Faculty Accomplishments

You can find additional information related to the standards for accreditation on the following website -- http://www.aacn.nche.edu/Accreditation/

Please submit comments on the CCNE standards or other academic parameters to:

Ms. Cristina Walcott
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Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education
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Washington, DC 220036

All comments will be accepted by the CCNE until March 21. We thank you for your support in helping us to achieve accreditation for the DNP Program.