

## NAACLS Board of Directors' Accreditation Award

The Medical Laboratory Science Program of **Trinity College of Nursing and Health Sciences** in **Rock Island, IL** is awarded Initial Accreditation for **two years**.

Next Submissions for Program Review	End Accreditation Date
Progress Report Due to Citations: April 1, 2026	April 30, 2027

A Progress Report documenting compliance with the following Standards must be submitted electronically to NAACLS. Please refer to the “Next Submissions for Program Review” chart for due date.

The program is in non-compliance with the following Standards:

Standard VIII.B.1	<p>VIII. MLS Curriculum Requirements</p> <p>B. Learning Experiences</p> <p>1. Learning experiences (courses, practica, other required activities) must be properly sequenced and include necessary content and activities to enable students to achieve entry level competencies in each major discipline as listed in Standard VIII.A.2.</p>
Rationale	<p>Learning experiences in Clinical Chemistry, Hematology/Hemostasis, Immunology, Immunochemistry/Transfusion Medicine, Microbiology, Urine and Body Fluid Analysis, and Laboratory Operations do not include necessary content and activities to enable students to achieve entry-level competencies for MLS.</p>
Recommendation	<p>Submit documentation demonstrating that learning experiences include necessary content and activities for students to achieve entry-level MLS competencies in Clinical Chemistry, Hematology/Hemostasis, Immunology, Immunochemistry/Transfusion Medicine, Microbiology, Urine and Body Fluid Analysis, and Laboratory Operations. Documentation should include objectives written at Recall, Interpretation and Problem-Solving levels and include Cognitive, Psychomotor and Affective domains of learning. Learning activities should correspond to written objectives.</p>
VIII.C.2	<p>VIII. MLS Curriculum</p> <p>C. Evaluations</p> <p>2. The evaluation systems must serve as a reliable indicator of the effectiveness of instruction and course design.</p>
Rationale	<p>Evaluation systems do not relate to course content and support program competencies.</p>
Recommendation	<p>Submit documentation of evaluation systems in Clinical Chemistry, Hematology/Hemostasis, Immunology, Immunochemistry/Transfusion Medicine, Microbiology, Urine</p>

and Body Fluid Analysis, and Laboratory Operations that relate to course content and support program competencies. Evaluation systems should match the content and level of instruction as cited above in VIII.B.1.

The program is in partial compliance with the following Standards:

- Standard I.D.5
- I. Sponsorship
  - D. Responsibilities of the Sponsor
  - 5. The sponsor must have a formal affiliation agreement with all other entities that are involved in the education of the students which describes:
    - a. the relationship
    - b. the roles
    - c. the responsibilities and that entity

Rationale

The sponsor has a formal affiliation agreement but does not indicate the multiple agencies (or sites) covered under the one affiliation agreement for the Genesis Health System as is required in the standard.

Recommendation

Submit a formal affiliation agreement with the Genesis Health System that indicates the multiple agencies covered under the one agreement.

Failure to submit the required report(s) by the due date may result in Administrative Probation.



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