

Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education

February 3, 2021

Brad Mortensen, PhD
President
Weber State University
3850 Dixon Way, Dept 1001
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Dear President Mortensen:

The Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM) is pleased to inform you of its vote on **January 20, 2021** to award **Continuing Accreditation for Seven Years** to the Health Information Management Associate Degree Program at Weber State University in Ogden, UT. The Program's next Comprehensive Program Review for Continuing Accreditation will be in **2028-2029**.

The comprehensive program review conducted by the Health Information Management Accreditation Council and the CAHIIM Board of Directors recognizes the program's substantial compliance with the nationally established *CAHIIM 2012 Accreditation Standards*.

Progress Report Requirement: The program must submit a Progress Report that satisfies the remaining Standard deficiency that resulted from the program review process and that requires the institution's attention in order to achieve full compliance with the Standards. CAHIIM requests that a Progress Report be completed by **August 2, 2021** that documents the manner in which this deficiency has been resolved and includes evidence of implementation.

The program director will continue to submit this information in the CAHIIM Accreditation System. Failure to submit this report by the due date may place the program on Administrative Probationary Accreditation. An unsatisfactory progress report or a Substantive Change in Program Director during the progress report process may result in a Focused Review of the program.

The Commission recognizes you and your colleagues for your commitment to continuous quality improvement in higher education, as demonstrated by your participation in programmatic accreditation.

Sincerely,



Eric Swirsky, JD, MA
Chair, CAHIIM Board of Directors

Encl: Continuing Accreditation Award Certificate
cc: Yasmen Simonian, PhD, Dean
Heather Merkley, DHSc, MEd, RHIA, Program Director

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Standard Partially Met**Rationale Statement****Guidelines for Compliance**

Standard 20. Program Governance. The sponsoring educational institution must assure that governance and lines of authority are clearly defined.

The HAS organizational chart does not reflect the current status of FT, PT and adjunct faculty who are dedicated to the Associate Degree HIM program. During the site visit, it was noted that some HIM faculty positions had changed.

Revise and submit an organizational chart that identifies all full-time, part-time and adjunct faculty who teach in the Associate Degree HIM program. Clarify the lines of authority and administrative governance of the health information management program.