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Dear Dr. Newman:

Thank you for submitting an interim report to the Council on Education for Public Health. The CEPH Board of Councilors Executive Committee met on June 17, 2016, at which time we reviewed the report and determined that the program has demonstrated compliance with Criteria 2.6 (Required Competencies), 2.7 (Assessment Procedures) and 2.11 (Joint Degrees).

To maintain accredited status, the next accreditation review must take place before July 1, 2022. We look forward to the program's next review.

Sincerely,

Donna J. Petersen, MHS, ScD, CPH

President

cc: CEPH Councilors