

# **National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences** (NAACLS)

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#### PROFILE OF ACCREDITING **ORGANIZATION**

Accreditor types: Programmatic

2020-2021

Recognition Status: Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Range of Accreditation Activity: NAACLS independently accredits educational programs at the associate, prebaccalaureate (certificate), baccaluareate, post-baccalaureate (certificate), master's and doctoral degree levels in the United States and internationally for the following professions: medical laboratory science, medical laboratory technician, pathologist assistant, diagnostic molecular scientist, histotechnologist, histotechnician, cytogenetic technologist, doctorate of clinical laboratory science, medical laboratory assistant, and phlebotomy.

#### **International Accreditation Activity:**

5 Non-U.S. institutions or programs operating outside the U.S.

0 U.S. institutions or programs operating outside the U.S.

No Organization evaluates credentials or degrees from outside the U.S.

#### **Program Countries**

Canada Puerto Rico Oatar

Sponsoring Organization: NAACLS has two sponsoring organizations - American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science (ASCLS) and American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP) - and three participating organizations -Association of Genetic Technologists (AGT), National Histotechnology Society (NHS), and American Association of Pathologist Assistants (AAPA).

### Composition of Decision-Making Body:

The NAACLS Board of Directors membership is comprised of 12 elected members and the agency CEO (nonvoting). Of the 12 elected members, there are 3 each from NAACLS' 2 sponsoring organizations, 1 each from NAACLS' 3 participating organizations, 1 4-year education institution administrator, 1 2-year education institution administrator, and 1 public member.

1,732,000 Operating Budget for Accrediting Unit Only

55,000 Direct support from any sponsoring organization

**0** In-kind support from any sponsoring organization

Employees: 9 Full-time n/a Part-time Volunteers: 243 - served 2020-2021

#### **PROFILE OF ACCREDITED PROGRAMS**

594 Accredited U.S and non-U.S. Programs

2020-2021

n/a Degree-Granting:

n/a Public

n/a Private Nonprofit

n/a Private For-Profit

n/a Non-Degree-Granting:

n/a Public

n/a Private Nonprofit n/a Private For-Profit

**17.046** Students

#### **PROFILE OF ACCREDITATION ACTIVITIES**

Frequency of Comprehensive Reviews and Required Follow-Up: Maximum 10 years.

## 2020-2021

Frequency of Comprehensive Review of Accreditation Standards: Up to 10 years.

#### **Summary of Formal Actions 2020-2021**

28 Initial Candidacy or Preaccreditation Granted

**0** Initial Candidacy or Preaccreditation Denied

28 Initial Accreditation Granted

O Initial Accreditation Denied

134 Accreditation Continued Following Comprehensive 0 Actions under Appeal Review

23 Accreditation Continued Following Comprehensive Review with Required Follow-up

## O Notice or Warning

- O Probation
- 0 Show Cause
- O Accreditation Terminated or Removed
- 0 Other

### **Summary of Additional Actions**

- ${\bf 1} \ {\bf Substantive} \ {\bf Changes} \ {\bf Reviewed}$
- **125** Site Visits
- 25 Voluntary Discontinuance or Expiration of Accreditation
- ${\small @}\ \ Council\ for\ Higher\ Education\ Accreditation\ |\ CHEA\ {\it Almanac\ of\ External\ Quality\ Review}$