2020-21 Accreditation Cycle
Accreditation Timeline

October 1, 2019: Pre-application process opens

December 6: Pre-application window will close and Commission will review information submitted to determine readiness for moving forward.

February 14: If determined needed, an Accreditation Advisor will be assigned to the applicant at this point to work with them in preparing their application. The Accreditation Advisor will determine if the applicant is ready to submit by the deadline or if the applicant needs to wait and resubmit.

June 15: The Accreditation Advisor will determine if the applicant is ready to submit by the deadline or if the applicant needs to wait and resubmit.

July 1: Applications are submitted.

July-August: Application Assigned to Commissioner. Deep Dive of Application by Commissioner

By August 15: Application Assigned. Your application will be assigned a three-person Peer Review Team.

By October 7: Request for Additional Evidence. You will receive initial feedback from your Peer Review Team requesting clarification and additional documentation.

By October 26: Interview with Peer Review Team Sunday at the NACEP Conference or by Teleconference. Applicants attending the NACEP National Conference are expected to participate in an interview with their Peer Review Team and Coordinating Commissioner to help the team gain a better understanding of the applicant’s program and to clarify for the applicant what materials the review team is requesting. During the interview, applicants and peer reviewers discuss questions of clarification raised in the initial review and the additional evidence requested.

Individual Peer Reviewers and/or applicant representatives unable to attend may join the meeting by teleconference. If key representatives of the applicant or Peer Review Team do not attend the NACEP National Conference, the Peer Review Team and the Coordinating Commissioner will conduct a remote interview with the applicant.

By November 23: Response from Applicant. Applicant uploads additional clarification and documentation in response to the Request for Additional Evidence, even if that documentation is discussed during the interview.

By January 10: Peer Review Team Submits Final Report and Review Forms to the Accreditation Commission.

By March 1: Vote by the Commission.