

## Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education

February 3, 2021

Jerry Farley, PhD  
President  
Washburn University  
1700 SW College Ave  
Topeka, KS 66621

Dear President Farley:

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 Washburn University in Topeka, KS. 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, MIA  
Chair, CAHIIM Board of Directors

Encl: Continuing Accreditation Award Certificate  
cc: Pat Munzer, DHSc, Dean, School of Applied Studies  
Michelle Shipley, MS, RHIA, CCS, Program Director

**Standard Partially Met****Standard 24. The Curriculum.**

The program must demonstrate that the curriculum meets or exceeds the professional course content as published in the AHIMA HIM entry-level curriculum competencies and knowledge clusters for associate degree programs.

**Rationale Statement**

The following Curriculum Competencies remain as partially met due to no implementation date:

I.A.4., I.B.4., II.A.3., III.A.1., IV.A.2., V.A.1., V.B.2.

V.B.1. (including the assignment is also not at the appropriate Bloom's level.)

**Guidelines for Compliance**

Identify the term and the course that these assignments will be implemented. An assignment is only met when it is implemented in the course. For V.B.1, you will need to either add more to the assignment so it better meets a level 4, or identify a different assignment and implementation date.