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Lillian Negron-Colon, PhD President Universidad Central de Bayamon Office of the President P.O. Box 1725 Bayamon, PR 00960

Dear President Negron-Colon:

At its June 2016 meeting, the Commission on Accreditation (COA) reviewed the social work program's application for *Initial Accreditation*. The COA decided to grant *Initial Accreditation* to the baccalaureate social work program through June 2020, with a *Progress Report* to be reviewed by the COA.

In taking this action, the Commission identified the following areas of concern:

Accreditation Standard B2.0.3: The program provides an operational definition for each of its competencies used in its curriculum design and its assessment [EP 2.1 through 2.1.10(d)].

The program provided operational definitions for each of its competencies used in its curriculum design and its assessment. However, the program was inconsistent in describing the practice behaviors for each of the competencies.

The program is asked to provide an operational definition for each of its competencies used in its curriculum design and its assessment [EP 2.1 through 2.1.10(d)].

Submit three (3) hard copies and one (1) electronic copy of the *Progress Report* to your accreditation specialist no later than <u>April 1, 2017</u>, for review during the June 2017 COA meeting.

Please be in touch with Yeimarie Lopez, Accreditation Specialist in the Department of Social Work Accreditation, if there are any questions about this letter or the procedures and actions of the Commission on Accreditation.

Sincerely,

Andrew W. Safyer, PhD, MSW Chair, Commission on Accreditation

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