This is to inform you that the WFME Recognition Committee considered and on 28.01.2014 decided upon the Recognition Report of November 2013 prepared by the Recognition Team (enclosed).

The Recognition Committee decided unanimously to grant LCME and CACMS recognition for a ten year term with no follow-up actions required. During this period the LCME and CACMS must inform WFME of any substantive changes in the scope of activities of the agency, in the procedures and standards for accreditation of medical education.

Recognition by WFME confers the understanding that the accreditation agency has been assessed and found to be credible in its policies and procedures to assure the quality of medical education in the programs and medical schools that it accredits.

The Recognition Committee noted and agreed to the areas of strength identified by the Recognition Team and stated in the report (p. 5):

- The LCME/CACMS documents are very comprehensive and thoroughly describe the accreditation process, procedures, and standards. These documents are publically available on the LCME website, ensuring a high level of transparency.
- The site visit teams consist of highly credentialed and qualified individuals.
• The site visit teams use collaborative processes which promote thoughtful discussions and decisions.
• The LCME/CACMS provides the schools with excellent support throughout the accreditation process.
• The LCME/CACMS and the schools they accredit express a high degree of mutual respect for each other.
• Students are given meaningful and consequential roles throughout the accreditation process.

Recognition decisions will be made public on the WFME website within 30 days after the final decision. Furthermore, the WFME Secretariat will notify LCME and CACMS and the Secretariat of the World Directory of Medical Schools of the decisions taken by the Recognition Committee.

This Decision Letter and the final Recognition Report by the Recognition Team are held confidential by WFME but may be disclosed by the agency at its discretion.

If LCME and CACMS make a public disclosure of its recognition status the agency must disclose that status accurately and provide the name, address and telephone number of the WFME secretariat.

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