I had my site visit, now what?

Congratulations on completing an integral part of the accreditation process! What comes next for you?

Team's Draft Report

Within 8 weeks of your site visit, you will receive the site visit team's draft report. You will have at least 30 days to review the report and submit a response. The response may have two parts. Neither is required; you are welcome to submit one, both, or neither (we do ask that you send us a note confirming that you have nothing to add to the record if that is the case).

Factual: You may provide a list of factual corrections, including corrections to typographical errors, transposed numbers, etc.

These will be submitted using the Factual Corrections Form located on the CEPH website.

Substantive: You may also provide responses to findings in the team's report that you disagree with and can provide supplemental information that may be helpful to the Council's deliberations.

These will be submitted in the body of the document, using the fourth column titled School/Program Response.





How will I know when my response is due?

When you receive your draft report, the accompanying email will provide the due date for your responses and will confirm the Council meeting dates for your decision.

Pre-Decision Notification

Will I hear from you before the accreditation decision is made?

Two weeks after your response is due, you will receive a report copy identical to what the Council receives, including your response. Your university CEO will receive the same information, along with an invitation to submit additional comments, if desired.



Council Meeting

The Council holds four decision making meetings a year. At these meetings, the Councilors conduct lively, content-based discussion for each review.

What are the potential decisions that could be made?

During the Council's review of the reports, they may amend any finding on any individual criterion or add comments to the report.

There are four possible findings for each criterion, two of which are compliant findings and two of which are non-compliant.

Compliant:

Met



Met with Commentary

Non-Compliant:

Partially Met



Not Met

What are the potential accreditation terms that I could receive?

Accredit for 5 years for first-time reviews and 7 years for re-accreditations with interim reporting due in one year for any noncompliant findings.

When will I know my accreditation decision?

You will receive official notice of your accreditation decision within 30 days of the Council meeting via email. We communicate all accreditation decisions in writing, through official correspondence from the Council, only.