



COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION  
FOR RESPIRATORY CARE

March 10, 2023

Carter File, PhD, President  
Respiratory Care Program  
Hutchinson Community College  
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RE: Program Number 200598

Dear Dr. File:

At its March 2023 meeting, the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC) voted to reaffirm **Continuing Accreditation** to the AAS Degree Entry into Respiratory Care Professional Practice Program at Hutchinson Community College.

The recent accreditation review conducted by CoARC recognizes the Program's compliance with the nationally established accreditation Standards. The next comprehensive evaluation of the Program, including an on-site review, is scheduled to occur no later than **2033**.

In addition to the comprehensive evaluation, CoARC regularly monitors the Program's compliance with established outcomes assessment thresholds (Standard 3.07) through the Report of Current Status submitted annually by the Program as well as other documentation that may be requested. Please note that the 2023 Annual Report of Current Status (based on 2020-21-22 outcomes data) will be due by **July 1, 2023**.

The Commission commends you and your colleagues for your commitment to continuous quality improvement in education, as demonstrated by your participation in programmatic accreditation.

Sincerely,

Thomas R. Smalling, PhD, RRT, RRT-SDS, RPFT, RPSGT, FAARC  
Chief Executive Officer

cc: Alison Casebolt, MSN, RN, Dean  
Teresa Pauls, MTS, RRT, Program Director  
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