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Dr. Patricia Lowe
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Dear Dr. Lowe;

Thank you for submitting the materials for NASP-approved status of your doctoral program in school psychology. We have received and reviewed the materials related to the latest American Psychological Association (APA) accreditation status of your doctoral program. I also wish to acknowledge the receipt of documentation pertaining to your doctoral program's internship requirements.

On behalf of the Program Approval Board, I am pleased to inform you of the **Full Approval** of your doctoral program by NASP. If you are in a unit accredited by NCATE, the program will also be "Nationally Recognized" by NCATE. Congratulations!

Assuming that the same processes continue as presently designed, **the program will need to submit one copy of the APA site visit team report and the decision letter from the APA Committee on Accreditation, along with documentation of the program's doctoral internship requirements consistent with NASP standards, each time the program is reviewed and reaccredited by APA in the future.** Please send these materials to the NASP office, using the address above, immediately following your receipt of the decision letter from APA. Your program will then be reviewed for continuing NASP approved status.

Also, please notify the NASP Program Approval Board immediately of any change in your

program's APA accreditation status.

Your program will be included in the list of NASP Approved Programs published in the NASP *Communiqué* and website. Program graduates will be eligible for National Certification in School Psychology (NCSP), pending attainment of a passing score on the Praxis II Examination in School Psychology and documentation of internship completion consistent with NASP standards.

Please note that, in order to be eligible for the NCSP, your program's doctoral graduates must submit NCSP applications that include documentation of a culminating doctoral internship with a minimum of 1500 hours, including at least 600 hours of supervised internship or the equivalent supervised experience in a school setting. NASP standards define a school setting as *"a setting in which the primary goal is the education of students of diverse backgrounds, characteristics, abilities, disabilities, and needs who are enrolled in grades P-12. The school setting has available an internal or external pupil services unit that includes at least one credentialed school psychologist and provides a full range of student services."* A credentialed school psychologist must supervise internship experiences in a school setting. A psychologist appropriately credentialed for the internship must supervise internship experiences in a non-school setting.

We encourage program coordinators to provide clear and accurate information to current and prospective graduate candidates, faculty, college or university administrators, and the public (e.g., in brochures, on program websites) about the NASP-approved status of a program and the time period that a program will hold its NASP-approved status before its next review by NASP.

I commend your program's continued commitment to providing high quality graduate education for school psychologists. If I may assist you in any way, please let me know.

Sincerely,



Eneida García Vázquez, PhD
Chair, NASP Program Approval Board

cc: NASP Program Approval Board
NASP Director for Professional Standards
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