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Ms. India Y. Tips
Interim Executive Director
Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools, Inc.
7777 Leesburg Pike, Suite 314 N.
Falls Church, Virginia 22043

Re: Medical Prep Institute of Tampa Bay – Official Comment

Dear Ms. Tips:

The following are the official comments of the Medical Prep Institute of Tampa Bay (MPI) with regard to the decision by the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools, Inc. (ABHES), to deny MPI's continued grant of accreditation:

Medical Prep Institute of Tampa Bay (MPI) disagrees with the decision by the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools, Inc. (ABHES), to deny MPI's continued grant of accreditation. Prior to this decision, ABHES reaffirmed MPI's accreditation in 2017. During the most recent proceedings, Medical Prep Institute of Tampa Bay submitted voluminous evidence and testimony showing that it continues to meet ABHES's accreditation criteria and should remain accredited.

On December 19, 2018, Medical Prep Institute of Tampa Bay notified ABHES that it seeks to pursue claims against ABHES for wrongfully and improperly denying Medical Prep Institute of Tampa Bay's continued grant of accreditation and violating MPI's rights due process. In accordance with Section 11.2 of the ABHES Bylaws, Medical Prep Institute of Tampa Bay seeks to arbitrate its claims against ABHES and has demanded that ABHES submit to arbitration through an independent and neutral agency to review Medical Prep Institute of Tampa Bay's claims. Medical Prep Institute of Tampa Bay has also requested that ABHES continue Medical Prep Institute of Tampa Bay's accreditation and stay ABHES's decision to deny MPI's continued accreditation pending the outcome of the arbitration proceeding. If ABHES will not voluntarily submit to arbitration in accordance with Section 11.2 of the ABHES Bylaws and stay its decision, Medical Prep Institute of Tampa Bay intends to pursue appropriate judicial relief to compel arbitration and continue Medical Prep Institute of Tampa Bay's accreditation. Medical Prep Institute of Tampa Bay remains committed to the students and the community we serve.

Sincerely,

Jena Fadziso - Administrator

December 21, 2018