

March 12, 2021

Mr. Robert L. "Bob" Caslen, Jr. President University of South Carolina System Osborne Administration Building Suite 206 Columbia, SC 29208

Dear Mr. Caslen:

Thank you for submitting the following substantive change:

Substantive change: **Program Closure Master of Public Health (M.P.H.) in General Public Health Certificate in Public Health Master of Public Health (M.P.H.)/Doctor of Medicine (M.D.) Master of Public Health (M.P.H.)/Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm. D.)** Submission date: **11/23/2020** Intended Implementation date: **11/23/2020** Case ID: **SC012467** 

The University of South Carolina in Columbia has decided to close the Master of Public Health (M.P.H.) degree program in General Public Health and the Certificate program in Public Health due to low enrollment. There are currently no students enrolled in either of these programs; therefore, none will be impacted by their closure. Likewise, no faculty members will be impacted as no courses or advising responsibilities were solely devoted to these programs. The closure of the M.P.H. in General Public Health will also result in the termination of the M.P.H./M.D. and the M.P.H./Pharm.D. combined degree options which currently have no participating students.

The Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges approves the closure of the Master of Public Health (M.P.H.) degree program in General Public Health, the Certificate program in Public Health, the combined Master of Public Health (M.P.H.)/Doctor of Medicine (M.D.) degree option, and the combined Master of Public Health (M.P.H.)/Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm. D.) degree option.



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Should you need assistance, please contact Dr. Linda Thomas-Glover at 404-679-4501 or via email at <u>lthomas-glover@sacscoc.org</u>.

Please include the Case ID number above in all submissions or correspondence about this substantive change.

*Note*: The SACSCOC substantive change policy was revised in 2020. It includes many new requirements and changes to previous requirements. The Substantive Change Policy and Procedures and learning resources are available on the substantive change webpage at <u>www.sacscoc.org</u>.

Sincerely,

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