

# CEA HYBRID SITE VISIT: THE FOLLOW-UP VISIT

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### **PURPOSE OF WEBINAR**

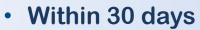
- Review the procedures and processes for preparing for the in-person follow-up site visit
- Assist you in preparing for the follow-up visit
- Provide you with information about what happens after the follow-up visit





# **HYBRID SITE VISIT PROCESS**

- Virtual review (2 ½ days) by a review team that verifies claims in the self-study report and writes a report based on the following virtual activities:
  - visiting classes and facilities
  - interviewing faculty and staff
  - reviewing documents
- Review Team Report



- Site Visit Evaluation
- Response to Review Team Report
  - Within 30 days



- 13 members
- Public announcement
- Regular Reporting
  - Reporting requirements, if applicable
  - Substantive change
  - Annual Report- each Feb.
- Follow-up in-person site visit
  (1 day) by a CEA Rep / reviewer
  - To be conducted within 1 year of accreditation decision
  - visiting classes and facilities
  - interviewing faculty and staff
  - reviewing documents



# IN-PERSON FOLLOW-UP VISITS PROCEDURES

- Site agrees to Hybrid Site Visit conditions
- Reminder in accreditation decision letter
- Scheduling for site and team conducted by ARM
- Site submits Site Update document
  - Site Overview
  - Changes made since the virtual review
- Follow-up Site Visit Memo sent by ARM: CEA Rep introduced
- In-person Follow-up Preparation Webinar
- In-person Follow-up Visit Report (IFVR)
- Review by Commission





#### **PURPOSE OF VISIT**

Core verification activities

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- Other verification activities based on the results of the virtual review RTR and information in the pre-visit Site Update document, as applicable
- Verification of compliance with any standards marked "unable to verify" at the time of the virtual review.
- Specific verification activities proposed in advance through the agenda building process with the CEA Rep





## THE REVIEW TEAM

#### 1 Peer Reviewer

- Reviews RTR, Site Update document, responses to reporting requirements and supporting documentation, as applicable
  - ✓ Notes questions to ask on site and documentation to review
  - ✓ Prepares an In-Person Follow-up Visit Report (IFVR)

#### **CEA Site Visit Representative ("CEA Rep")**

- ✓ Ensures CEA policies and procedures are followed
- ✓ Reviews documentation with peer reviewer





#### RESOURCES

#### CEA Follow-up Visit Procedures

- Conducting CEA Site Visits During COVID-19
  - Document sent to sites and teams for in-person visits (2) 1/2-day and follow-up visits)
  - State or local restrictions in the area
  - Travel restrictions / quarantine requirements taken
  - Social distancing guidelines

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Team workroom with enough space for social distancing





### **AGENDA**

- CEA Rep sends a first draft of agenda
- Core verification activities
- Additional verification activities tailored to each visit based on Site Update and responses to reporting requirements, as applicable





# SITE VISIT ACTIVITIES

- Initial meeting
- Tour of facilities
- Interviews
  - Administrators and staff, including the person to whom the director reports
  - Faculty
  - Students
- Class visits please provide a syllabus / lesson plan for each class observation
- Exit Meeting





## **WORKROOM**

- Private workroom no interviews conducted in work room
- Lockable provide 2 keys, if possible
- Sound-proof; no video/audio recording
- Big enough for 2 people
- Modest supplies, including shredder
- Computer with supporting documents and intranet if applicable
- Secure printer access
- Light snacks





#### **GENERAL DOCUMENTS PREP**

- Folder for each team member see Site Visit Memo
- Onsite verification organize by standard area (e.g., **Curriculum, Faculty, etc.)**
- Completed tests given over two terms of study
  - Regularly used blank tests also helpful
- Copy of syllabus and lesson plan for each class observation
- Student files
- Faculty, administrator, staff files





#### **ELECTRONIC RECORDS**

#### Identify WHERE your records are and HOW the team can access them:

- Shared network drives
- Learning Management Software (LMS)
- Student Records Management Software (SRM)
- SEVIS
- Vendor-made and proprietary software

#### **Prepare**

- Passwords for team, if applicable
- Electronic map indicating the files to review, and where to find them (e.g., Listening 1 Syllabus, in Folder X within Folder Y)
  - Group electronic docs by standard area, just like paper docs





# SITE VISIT CULTURE

- Team asks questions that you may already answered during the virtual review
- Questions move from topic to topic without smooth transitions
- Rep and Reviewer will be taking notes during interviews
- Questions are required by CEA and don't necessarily indicate a concern
- Team members cannot:
  - Give advice
  - > Answer question "How are we doing?"



# IN-PERSON FOLLOW-UP VISIT REPORT (IFVR)

- Contains findings for a group of core standards
- Contains findings for additional standards as applicable based on:
  - Site's responses to reporting requirements for specific standards, based on virtual review RTR
  - "Unable to verify" findings indicated in virtual review RTR
  - Any changes indicated in Site Update document that align with standards not in group of core verification standards
  - Compliance issues that arise during the in-person followup visit





## **POST-VISIT REVIEW**

### 1-year decision

- IFVR to Commission
- Continued accreditation decision
- Reporting requirements / warning

# Other grants of accreditation

- IFVR to Standards Compliance Committee (SCC)
- Reporting requirements / warning





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