

## **Spartan Health Sciences University School of Medicine, St Lucia** ***Provisional Accreditation extended, 2016-2018***

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### **July 2016 Determination: *Provisional Accreditation extended, 2016-2018***

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This was the second full accreditation exercise for Spartan Health Sciences University School of Medicine. The visit took place November 14-21, 2015 and involved a visit to the main campus in St Lucia and clinical affiliates in the US. The site visit team members were:

1. Professor Jim McKillop (Team Chair)
2. Dr Damian Cohall (Team Secretary)
3. Dr Shamdeo Persaud
4. Dr Ian Sammy

The CAAM-HP at its meeting held July 27-29, 2016 considered and accepted the site visit report of the *ad hoc* site visit team.

**Decision:** In the light of the issues cited in the report, the Authority decided to extend Provisional Accreditation for another two (2) years from 2016-2018.

The Authority also noted several areas of partial and substantial non-compliance with accreditation standards.

CAAM-HP looks forward to receiving the annual progress reports indicating efforts being made to address issues cited in the site visit report and in its letter. Failure to comply would result in a redetermination of accreditation status.

The Authority asked that all promotional material, electronic or otherwise, accurately reflect the institution's current accreditation status.

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### **July 2014 Update**

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The CAAM-HP at its meeting held July 28, 2014 considered the progress report of the School of Medicine in response to its letter of October 12, 2013. The CAAM-HP noted that efforts were being made to address the issues raised.

CAAM-HP looks forward to receiving the documentation, including staff contracts, in preparation for the visit in 2015.

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## October 2013 Determination: *Provisional Accreditation, 2013-2015*

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Spartan Health Sciences University School of Medicine is an offshore university located on the island of St Lucia with clinical affiliates in the USA. A site visit was paid to its main campus in St Lucia and clinical teaching sites at Jackson Park Hospital and Norwegian American Hospital in Chicago from May 26-31, 2013. The members of the *ad hoc* assessment team were:

1. **Howard W. Spencer**, CD, MB, BS FRCS (Ed.) FACS, MPH (UWI), Professor *Emeritus* of Cardiothoracic Surgery UWI; Registrar of the Medical Council of Jamaica and the Caribbean Association of Medical Councils; *Team Chair*
2. **Owen B. O’L James**, OD, B.Sc., M.B. ChB (Edin.), Dip.Bact./Virol.; Former Lecturer/Consultant Microbiologist/Immunologist, UWI; Dean, All American Institute of Medical Sciences; *Team Secretary*
3. **Mary T. Coleman**, M.D., Ph. D.; Director of Community Health; Professor of Family Medicine, Louisiana State University, New Orleans, Louisiana
4. **Dagleish Joseph**, M.D., FCCOS; Former Medical Director University of Guyana School of Medicine; Lecturer, Physiology University of Guyana School of Medicine; Tutor Postgraduate Programme in Surgery GPHC

CAAM-HP at its meeting on October 11-12, 2013 considered and accepted the report by the *ad hoc* assessment team.

**Decision:** CAAM-HP granted Provisional Accreditation for two (2) years, 2013-2015 with another site visit in two (2) years with the condition that the school provides a report to CAAM-HP towards resolution of the problems flagged in the letter and in the report including details of steps taken to improve the management of the clinical programme.