University of Health Sciences Antigua, Antigua & Barbuda

Accreditation Denied

January 2024 Determination: Accreditation Denied

This was the first full accreditation visit for the medical school at the University of Health Sciences Antigua (UHSA) in Antigua and Barbuda. The site visit took place October 8-12, 2023, and involved a survey of its basic science campus in Antigua and clinical teaching sites in Puerto Rico. The site visit team members were:

- 1. Professor Sandra Reid-Bernard (Team Chair)
- 2. Professor Bidyadhar Sa (Team Secretary)
- 3. Dr Sateesh Arja

The CAAM-HP, at its meeting held January 24, 2024, considered and accepted the site visit report of the *ad hoc* site visit team.

Decision:

The Board, after careful consideration of the Site Visit Report, concluded that the school had not adequately prepared for the site visit as evidenced by the many instances of non-compliance with the required standards. The team found that the areas needing major improvement, such as faculty capacity and educational resources, were critical to the successful operation of a medical school. The Board noted with regret that the school also failed to present credible documentary evidence to substantiate some of the claims made in its self-study.

As a result of these unacceptable deficiencies, the Board was unable to accredit the programme.