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**To the Rector of
Carol Davila University of
Medicine and Pharmacy
Bucharest**

Dear Prof. Univ. Dr. Viorel Jinga!

The Independent Agency for Accreditation and Rating (IAAR) expresses its gratitude for your trust in education quality assessment and informs that at the meeting of the Accreditation Council on December 8, 2023 (Minutes No. 79) the following recommendations of the External Expert Panel aimed at further improving the quality of the University were adopted:

Standard "Mission and Outcomes"

- The HEI should develop and implement a system to get feedback from graduates and employers regarding quality of academic program and use the results for improving the program. (October 1, 2024)

Standard "Academic Programme"

- The University should enhance the integration of educational programs, specifically for preclinical subjects, by adopting best practices from prominent medical education institutions and providing professional development for academic staff to ensure they acquire the essential competencies for teaching integrated programs. (October 1, 2025).

- The University should create pedagogical approaches aligned with current adult learning theories and facilitate the professional development of its academic staff to obtain the required competencies. (October 1, 2025).

- The university should enhance its curriculum by incorporating mandatory courses focused on complementary medicine, including non-traditional, traditional, and alternative practices. (October 1, 2024).

Standard "Students Assessment"

- In addition to traditional assessment models, the university should create and adopt contemporary evaluation methods, such as use of the simulation center (OSCE, OSPE), to evaluate the students' skills and competences. (October 1, 2025).

Standard "Students"

- The UMCD should establish and enforce a policy to ensure the admission of students with disabilities in compliance with the relevant laws and regulatory documents of the country and to upgrade its facilities to ensure accessibility for disabled individuals. (August 1, 2024).

- The university should improve the visibility its tutoring system to provide guidance to students in their personal needs, career development, and research activities. (October 1, 2024).

Standard "Academic Staff/FACULTY"

- The UMCD ought to create and put in place strategies for more extensive integration of research into the realm of teaching and learning, along with providing appropriate training for the teaching staff (October 1, 2024).

- The university should make efforts to maintain an appropriate teacher-student ratio, ensuring that the teaching process respects the official guideline of one teacher per group and efficient management of academic space. (October 1, 2024).

Standard "Educational Resources"

- The university should promote and support academic staff in their efforts to improve their knowledge and competencies within the field of medical education. (October 1, 2024).

Standard "Management and Administration"

- The university should explore the feasibility of involving independent external key stakeholders in the Senate and other decision taking bodies of the institution (October 1, 2024).

Standard "Continuous Update"

- The HEI should Consider adapting the academic program model and methodologies to ensure their relevance by integrating modern theories in education, methodologies of adult education, and principles of active learning (October 1, 2024).

- The university should update evaluation principles and methods, aligning them with changes in learning outcomes, and teaching approaches (October 1, 2024).

- The institution should enhance the organizational framework and managerial strategies to ensure operational effectiveness in evolving conditions, catering to the long-term needs of different stakeholder groups (Permanent)

The External Expert Panel made the following conclusions on the criteria of IAAR Standards: 3% of strong criteria, 95% of satisfactory criteria, 2% criteria requiring improvement, no unsatisfactory criteria.

Taking into account the results of the external assessment, IAAR Accreditation Council decided that «**Carol Davila**» **University of Medicine and Pharmacy Bucharest** meets the necessary requirements for obtaining international Institutional accreditation **for 5 (five) years**.

In case of disagreement with the decision of the Accreditation Council, the

educational organisation has the right to appeal to the IAAR Appeals and Complaints Commission.

The Review Report of the External Expert Panel, which reflects overall experts' assessment of the University for compliance with IAAR standards is attached to the letter.

Please accept our congratulations to the «Carol Davila» University of Medicine and Pharmacy Bucharest with the positive international accreditation outcome and we look forward to fruitful future cooperation!

Annexes:

- Accreditation Certificate – 1 sheet

- Report on the Results of the EEP work on Institutional Assessment of Compliance – 73 sheets

**Yours sincerely,
General Director**



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