Report is required to document compliance with specific aspects of the following policies:

A. "Accrediting Decisions of Other Agencies"
B. "Collaborative Academic Arrangements: Policy and Procedures"
C. “Complaint Procedures Against the Commission or Its Accredited Institutions”

Each of these policies is addressed on the following pages.

### 3.13(A) – Accrediting Decisions of Other Agencies

**Applicable Policy Statement.** Any institution seeking or holding accreditation from more than one U.S. Department of Education recognized accrediting body must describe itself in identical terms to each recognized accrediting body with regard to purpose, governance, programs, degrees, diplomas, certificates, personnel, finances, and constituencies, and must keep each institutional accrediting body apprised of any change in its status with one or another accrediting body.

**Narrative:**

**Required Documentation**

1. **Two federally recognized agencies currently accredit Chipola College or its programs:**

   - National League of Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC)
     (NLNAC is now known as ACEN – American Council for Education in Nursing)
     
     Granted “Candidacy” status for the following programs on January 22, 2013:
     
     Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree (RN-to-BSN)
     Associate Degree in Nursing (RN)

     See ([1](#)) for letter of notification

   - Commission on Colleges, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
     
     Reaffirmation of Accreditation, with No Follow-Up Required on July 11, 2008.

     See ([2](#)) for letter of notification.

     **The college is also approved by the following other organizations not recognized by the U.S. Department of Education:**
Florida Board of Nursing
Florida Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission
Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE)
Florida Department of Children and Family Services
Florida Bureau of Fire Standards and Training
Florida Department of Health—Division of Medical Quality Assurance
Florida Department of Health—Bureau of Emergency Medical Oversight
National Auto Technicians Education Foundation (NATEF)
International Conference on Automotive Collision Repair (I-CAR)

2. **Date of the most recent review by each agency and any negative action taken by the agency:**

1. The National League of Nursing Accrediting Commission NLNAC (now ACEN) reviewed Chipola’s application for candidacy in December 2012 and notified the Dean of Health Sciences of the college’s “Candidacy” status on January 22, 2013.

The college was notified on September 3, 2013 that an ACEN Review Team will conduct a site visit in January 2014.

2. The Commission on Colleges-Southern Association of Colleges and Schools reaffirmed the accreditation of Chipola College on July 11, 2008.

Other agencies or organizations not recognized by the U.S. Department of Education (shown above) evaluate and re-approve programs regularly, including periodic site visits to review some programs.

No negative action has been taken by any accrediting agency since the college’s 2008 reaffirmation of the accreditation by SACS.

3. **Statements used to describe Chipola College in the NLNAC application:**

   **Mission Statement:** Only the official, board-approved mission statement has been or will be submitted in any initial application for accreditation in the future. See (☞[3]) for the Mission Statement.

   **Description of the College:** Chipola College officials were careful not to mislead the National League of Nursing for Accreditation for Accrediting Commission (NLNAC) when describing the college during the application process for nursing programs and will take the same precautions when dealing with other accrediting agencies in the future. The same basic data are used in preparation of accreditation documents, grant proposals, and other college documents which include narrative about the background, purpose, programs, students, employees, finances, facilities, and district demographics.

   There was not an “institutional narrative” section required in the NLNAC application. There were, however, two narratives describing (1) the college’s total
library resources (14) and (2) a section describing financial resources (5), including the overall fiscal stability of the institution.

4. **Any agency that has terminated accreditation, the date, and the reason for termination:**

No accrediting agency has terminated the accreditation of Chipola College or any of its programs.

5. **The date and reason for the institution voluntarily withdrawing accreditation with any accrediting agencies.**

Chipola College has not voluntarily withdrawn accreditation with any accrediting agency.

**Documentation:**

[1] NLNAC Letter Confirming Candidacy Status for BSN Degree


**3.13(B) – Complaint Procedures against the Commission or Its Accredited Institutions**

**Applicable Policy Statement.** In addition to FR 4.5 regarding complaints, the Commission also requires, in accord with federal regulations, that each institution maintains a record of complaints received by the institution. This record is made available to the Commission upon request.

**Documentation:** Normally, this record will be reviewed and evaluated by the commission as part of the institution’s decennial evaluation; however, during the fifth-year interim review, when addressing this policy statement, the institution should provide information to the Commission describing how the institution maintains its record and (1) individuals/offices responsible for the maintenance of the record(s), (2)