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Michael Calhoun
Chief Operating Officer
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1500 N Oakland Ave
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Dear COO Calhoun:

The Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) is pleased to inform you of its **September 15, 2023** decision to award **initial accreditation** to the Emergency Medical Services-Paramedic program at Citizens Memorial Hospital, Bolivar, MO. CAAHEP accreditation is awarded due to the program's demonstrated compliance with the Standards. The next evaluation of the program is scheduled to occur no later than **2028**.

The Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoAEMSP) conducts comprehensive and annual reviews of the program's compliance with the Standards and submits recommendations regarding accreditation status to CAAHEP. CoAEMSP monitors the program's outcomes through the program's annual report and supporting documentation (Standard IV.B.). Profession-specific CAAHEP Standards and Guidelines can be found on the website, www.caahep.org.

CAAHEP publishes the accreditation award letters and accreditation actions summaries on its website. Award letters are accessible within the individual program listings in the "Find an Accredited Program" section of the CAAHEP website. CAAHEP categorizes programs according to the profession-specific Standards and Guidelines used to evaluate the program.

The accreditation standards are established by CAAHEP, CoAEMSP, American Academy of Pediatrics, American Ambulance Association, American College of Cardiology, American College of Emergency Physicians, American College of Surgeons, American Society of Anesthesiologists, International Association of Fire Chiefs, International Association of Fire Fighters, National Association of Emergency Medical Services Physicians, National Association of Emergency Medical Services Educators, National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians, and National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians.

The commission recognizes your organization's commitment to continuous quality improvement in health professions education, as demonstrated by your participation in CAAHEP programmatic accreditation.

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Donald A. Balasa". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent 'D' at the beginning.

Donald Balasa, JD, MBA
President

cc: Tregg Geren, Chief Operating Officer
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