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DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

APPEAL OF CITATION INFORMAL CONFERENCE DECISION: CITATION MODIFIED

November 18, 2021

Southern California College of Medical & Dental Assistants, Inc., Owner Concorde Career College 4393 Imperial Avenue, Suite 100 San Diego, CA 92113

Date of Issuance	Citation Number	Institution Code
November 18, 2021	2122012	3700721

On September 24, 2021, an informal telephone conference was held in the matter of Citation: Order of Abatement No. 2122012 (Citation) against Southern California College of Medical & Dental Assistants, Inc., Owner of Concorde Career College (Institution). In attendance were Ebony Santee, Licensing Chief, Linh T. Nguyen, Department of Consumer Affairs Legal Counsel, Kristen Marshall, Regulatory Operations Manager, and John Carreon, Chief Compliance Officer and General Counsel.

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code, section 125.9; California Education Code, section 94936; and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations, section 75020 and section 75040, the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (Bureau) renders the following decision relative to your appeal of the Citation No. 2122012.

It is the decision of the Licensing Chief that on October 4, 2021 Citation No. 2122012 is <u>modified</u> and makes the following change(s):

VIOLATION CODE SECTIONS

Below you will find the California Education Code (CEC) and/or Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations (5, CCR code) section(s) of law you are charged with violating.

1. **Violation:**

5, CCR Section 74006(a) and (b) - Annual Fee

"(a) An institution's annual fee is due within 30 days of the date on which the institution originally receives its approval to operate and each year thereafter on the anniversary of the date of the original approval. (b) An institution shall pay its annual fee in addition to any other applicable fees.

CEC Section 94930.5 (g)- Fee Schedule

"(g) Notwithstanding subdivision (d), effective July 1, 2018, the annual fee for each campus described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) shall be in an amount equal to 0.55 percent of that campus' total gross revenue derived from students in California, but not to be less than two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) and not to exceed sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) for each campus."

CEC Section 94931(a) - Late Payment

"(a) A fee that is not paid on or before the 30^{th} calendar day after the due date for payment of the fee shall be subject to a 25 percent late payment penalty fee."

The Institution has failed to pay its 30-day late payment penalty fee for calendar year 2021.

On April 1, 2021, the Institution was notified, Invoice # 900357302, via mail at 4393 Imperial Avenue, Suite 100, San Diego, CA 92113, stating that the annual fee for calendar year 2021 was due on May 1, 2021.

On June 15, 2021, the Institution was notified, Invoice # 900358061, via mail at 4393 Imperial Avenue, Suite 100, San Diego, CA 92113, stating that the annual fee for calendar year 2021 was due on May 1, 2021.

On June 16, 2021, the Bureau received payment for the 2021 Annual Fee in the amount of \$60,000.

As of July 29, 2021, the Bureau has not received the 30-day late payment penalty fee from the Institution.

Order of Abatement:

The Bureau orders the Institution to submit its late payment penalty fee for calendar year 2021 in accordance with 5, CCR section 74006(a)(b) and CEC section 94930.5(g).

Modified Order of Abatement: The Bureau orders the Institution to submit its late payment penalty fee for calendar year 2021 in the amount of \$11,250.00, in accordance with 5, CCR section 74006(a)(b) and CEC section 94930.5(g).

Reason for modification: New substantive facts were presented at the conference.

Assessment of Fine

The fine for this violation is \$00.00

TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE FINE DUE: \$00.00

ORDER OF ABATEMENT

The Bureau orders that you comply with the orders described in the 'Violation Code Sections' of this document and submit evidence of compliance within 30 days from the date of this decision.

APPEAL OF CITATION

You *do not* have the right to request another Informal Conference to appeal this modified Citation. If you did not initially request an Administrative Hearing within 30 days from when the original citation was issued, you can no longer request one.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF CITATION

This modified Citation is effective on **November 18, 2021.** The Order of Abatement is due by **December 18, 2021.**

Failure to abate the violation within the time allowed is grounds for denial of an application for an approval to operate or discipline. The Bureau will promptly take all appropriate action to enforce the Modified Citation and recover the civil penalties prescribed therein or found to be due after a hearing.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions regarding this decision or desire further information, please contact Gabriella Perez, Citation Analyst, at (916) 574-8969 or at Gabriella.Perez@dca.ca.gov.

"Original Signature on File"	"11/18/2021"	
Christina Villanueva Discipline Manager	Date	
Enclosures		

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