

Accreditation Handbook

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Overview of this Report

This report provides an update on the work being done on the Accreditation Handbook and the timeline for a draft to be presented to the COA.

Staff Recommendation

This is an information item only.

Background

The Accreditation Handbook is being revised to reflect changes to the accreditation system. For example, the revised handbook will detail the procedures for the all accreditation activities. This includes Biennial Reports, Program Assessment, and Site Visits. The Experimental Program standards will be addressed in the Handbook and the Accreditation Framework will be included in the Handbook. The timeline for work on the Handbook is as follows:

August 2007	First draft of <i>Accreditation Handbook</i> is brought to the COA for review, discussion and input.
October 2007	Second draft incorporating changes to the Handbook returns to the COA for consideration. If the COA directs, the Handbook will go out to the field for stakeholder review.
Late October 2007 - early January 2008	Accreditation Handbook is available for stakeholder feedback
January 2008	<i>Accreditation Handbook</i> returns to the COA for adoption