

Discussion of Proposed Changes to the Accreditation Handbook October 2019

Overview of this Report

This item provides draft changes for selected chapters of the *Accreditation Handbook* for COA discussion.

Recommendation

That the COA review the proposed revisions to the chapters that are posted separately and to provide input.

Background

This agenda item continues the work began at the June 2019 COA meeting to review and update the *Accreditation Handbook*. The link to that item is included here: [COA June 2019 Accreditation Handbook Item](#)

The *Accreditation Handbook* was adopted in 2016 as the Commission's new strengthened and streamlined accreditation system began operation. As the COA and staff have continued to implement and refine processes, alignment between practice and the *Handbook* needs to be ensured.

Due to the limited staff time available to complete this project at this time, staff will post 2-3 chapters individually as they are completed. The remainder will need to be provided and discussed in February. Staff will continue to work on this project and it is anticipated that the COA may be able to adopt the revisions at its February 27-28, 2020.