

Discussion of Proposed Changes to the Accreditation Handbook

Overview

This agenda item continues the discussion that originally began in 2019 but was halted due to workload issues related to the pandemic. This discussion was restarted again at the February 2022 COA meeting. At that time, the COA discussed changes to Chapters 1-4 and 9. This item presents proposed additional changes to the *Accreditation Handbook* for discussion. This item includes proposed changes for Chapter 15. Additional chapters will be presented at the May 2019 meeting.

Recommendation

This item is for information only.

Overview

This agenda item continues the discussion restarted at the February 2022 COA meeting. The *Accreditation Handbook* must be brought up to date and aspects of the *Handbook* must be clarified or expanded upon. Many of the changes proposed this time were proposed in 2019, but further consideration and action on any updates were halted due to a significant increase in staff workload resulting from the pandemic. To ensure that sufficient time and attention to detail is facilitated, staff is bringing forward changes throughout the spring 2022 with an anticipated adoption of all the chapters at the June 2022 COA meeting.

Next Steps

Staff asks the COA to discuss the proposed changes and suggest any areas for additional changes. Staff will make these changes and bring this item back at a future meeting for consideration.