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The following requests for clarification were received during the second round of questions from programs interested in pursuing the Integrated Path to Licensure. Proposals from NAAB-accredited programs in support of the Integrated Path are due by 5:00pm (Eastern) on Monday, June 1, 2015. Please submit your response to [LTF-RFP@ncarb.org](mailto:LTF-RFP@ncarb.org). Please refer to page 9 of the RFP for format requirements. Proposals will be evaluated by NCARB's Licensure Task Force over the summer with results announced by early September.

1. What terminology will be used when referring to these integrated programs that are accepted through the RFP?

#### NCARB RESPONDS

We have been discussing the appropriate terminology for many months and will make a final determination over the summer. "NCARB approved" is the leading contender. We will not use any form of "accredited" in order to ensure this additional process remains independent of and is not confused with your NAAB accreditation.

2. How will NCARB identify those schools who have an integrated program that has been reviewed and approved by NCARB?

#### NCARB RESPONDS

Details for this have not been finalized. It will likely take the form of a list of approved programs posted on the NCARB website. We will also provide an annual list to each of our 54 state licensing boards for their reference.

3. How will NCARB monitor this program and/or call it successful?

#### NCARB RESPONDS

As indicated in the Request for Proposal, each approved program is required to provide an annual status report. Please refer to page 14, Section IIIC of the RFP for additional information. The format of the report has not been finalized and additional information may be requested as the program matures. The success of the program will be realized through the number of schools and firms participating in the program and the number of students that attain licensure based on the integrated path.

4. Will schools need to provide the names of the students enrolled in this special program to NCARB so they can be "tracked" ?

#### NCARB RESPONDS

At some point, yes. The school's annual report to NCARB will include general information of the program's progress. Students enrolled in an approved program will have to be identified in order to establish their eligibility to register for the ARE.

5. Will state boards who change their rules to accommodate these integrated programs accept any school on your list or just the ones in their own state?

**NCARB RESPONDS**

The location of the program should not matter. NCARB will encourage all state boards to accept graduates from any approved program for licensure.

6. How in depth do you expect schools to get in their June proposals in terms of recommending the order of IDP?

**NCARB RESPONDS**

NCARB is not stipulating the sequence of either the IDP or the ARE. It is up to each program to develop what they feel is the most appropriate path for their program. That sequence may even be tailored to the needs of each student.

7. Will there be a draft of the new version of IDP that is aligned with ARE 5.0 that will be available prior to June that participating schools can work with?

**NCARB RESPONDS**

No. Additional information on [IDP Streamline](#) (3,740 required hours) was recently posted on our website and will take effect July 1, 2015. The next version of IDP is in the final phases of development with the four existing categories transitioning to the six new categories of [ARE 5.0](#). The announcement of the six-category “overhauled” IDP will be released later this year. NCARB will notify all programs as the details are released.