November 8, 2019

Karen Martens Brandt, Director, Education and Research  
American Veterinary Medical Association,  
Council on Education  
1931 North Meacham Road, Suite 100  
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Dear Ms. Brandt:

I am writing to inform you of my decision on the renewal of recognition of the American Veterinary Medical Association, Council on Education (AVMA-COE). U.S. Department of Education (Department) staff and the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity (NACIQI) have each made recommendations to me. These recommendations were made under Sections 114 and 496 of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, and pursuant to relevant statutory and regulatory provisions.

Both the Department staff and the NACIQI recommended that I grant AVMA-COE renewed federal recognition for a period of five years. I concur with the recommendations of the Department staff and of the NACIQI. Accordingly, I grant renewed recognition to AVMA-COE for a period of five years.

Scope of Recognition: the accreditation and preaccreditation ("Provisional Accreditation") in the United States of programs leading to professional degrees (D.V.M. or D.M.D.) in veterinary medicine.

Please convey my best wishes to the members of the AVMA-COE. We appreciate their work to improve the quality and success of U.S. postsecondary education.

Sincerely,

Diane Auer Jones  
Principal Deputy Under Secretary  
Delegated to Perform the Duties of Under Secretary  
U.S. Department of Education