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Barbara Barzansky, Co-Secretary
Liaison Committee on Medical Education
American Medical Association
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Dear Dr. Barzansky:

I am writing to inform you of my decision on the renewal of recognition of the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME). 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 LCME 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 LCME for a period of five years.

Scope of Recognition: The accreditation of medical education programs within the United States leading to the M.D. degree.

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

Sincerely,

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Diane Auer Jones
Principal Deputy Under Secretary
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