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Dear Ms. Steinitz:

On behalf of the board members and staff of the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND®), I would like to thank you for the hospitality extended to our reviewers during their recent visit to evaluate your program. I have enclosed a copy of the site visit report for your information. We encourage you to discuss this report with appropriate administrators in your organization. In order for ACEND to comply with the requirements established by the United States Department of Education, a copy of the site visit report is also being sent to the chief executive officer of your organization.

Your comments and supplemental materials in response to this report must be submitted in PDF electronic format via email to ACENDreports@eatright.org within 30 calendar days of receipt of this letter. If you choose not to respond, please communicate this to me promptly so that we can complete the review process for your Program.

The ACEND Board will review the site visit report and comments at its January 2016 meeting. Approximately two weeks after this meeting, you will be notified in writing of the Board's decision. For a comprehensive list of possible board actions refer to the ACEND Policy and Procedure Manual section 2.3, ACEND Board Decisions. The manual can be found under publications at www.eatright.org/acend. In order to assure confidentiality and inform all programs in a timely and uniform manner, we will only communicate accreditation decisions through

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written correspondence; decisions will not be disclosed over the telephone.

We would also like to alert you to a message that will be emailed to you shortly. The message contains a link to an on-line survey regarding your opinions of the site visit. Please complete the survey as soon as possible. In addition, we would appreciate any feedback from the administrators who met with the program review team. A second on-line survey link is provided in the email message for this purpose. Please forward the link to the appropriate administrators and encourage them to complete the survey. Your evaluations will be kept confidential and will be used to provide recommendations for improvement to the ACEND Board and program reviewers, but only after the final accreditation decision has been made.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (800) 877-1600 ext. 4784 or jbyrne@eatright.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Janine Ricketts-Byrne". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Janine Ricketts-Byrne, MA, RD, LD
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