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To the Rector of

**Sumy State University** 

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## Dear Dr. Vasyl D. Karpusha!

The Independent Agency for Accreditation and Rating (IAAR) expresses its gratitude for your trust in education quality assessment and informs that at the meeting of the Accreditation Council on April 22, 2022 (Minutes No. 67) the following recommendations of the External Expert Panel aimed at further improving the quality of the educational programme 222 Medicine (Master's Degree) were adopted:

Standard "MISSION AND OUTCOME"

- 1. To focus teaching not only on theory but also on practice. Educate all students at the patient's bedside from the very first year of study. Due by: 1st September 2022.
- 2. To train teachers' skills to communicate with students through refresher courses in communication skills with a list of trained. Due by: 1st September 2022
- 3. To conduct seminars on academic freedom and autonomy of the university administrative and teaching staff with the list of trained. Due by September 1, 2022.

Standard "EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME"

- 1. In order to provide feedback to learners, appoint tutors, advisors for junior courses and mentors for senior courses by assigning a teacher to each group. Due by September 1, 2022
- 2. To provide on-the-job training and education, with sufficient number of patients per class, due by September 1, 2022.

better determination of the validity of the tests. Deadline by September 1, 2022.

2. To develop a formative assessment feedback checklist with aim to assure better balance between formative and summary assessment. Deadline by 1 September 2022.

Standard "ACADEMIC STAFF/TEACHERS"

- 1. To create an additional free of charge English classes for teaching staff. Due by: September 1, 2022.
- 2. To assign from teaching staff mentors for students from older years to assist them with future professional and scientific carrier. Due by: September 1 2022.

Standard "EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT AND RESOURCES"

- 1. To assure that source reference is clearly defined while implementing modern, interactive methods in education program. Due by: September 1, 2022.
- 2. To improve percent of student mobility (including international ones) from 1,5% to at least 5% per year by the end of 2022/2023 school year.

Standard "ASSESSMENT OF THE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME"

- 1. To enhance EPP in area of training on clinical skills of the students. Due by September 1, 2022.
- 2. To create Forum site on university website to further improve communication between employers and University in regards to performance of Graduates. Due by September 1, 2022.
- 3. To initiate organization of Graduate Students' Association by September 1, 2022.

Standard "MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION"

- 1. To create interactive web site to further enhance communication channels with employers to improve better feedback process on changes in EPP by September 1, 2022.
- 2. To increase University visibility through active advertisement on international level by September 1, 2022.

The External Expert Panel made the following conclusions on the criteria of IAAR Standards: 6% of strong criteria, 92% of satisfactory criteria, 2% of criteria requiring improvement, no unsatisfactory criteria.

Taking into account the results of the external assessment, IAAR Accreditation Council decided that educational programme **222 Medicine of Sumy State University** meets the necessary requirements for obtaining international accreditation **for 5 (five) years**.

In case of disagreement with the decision of the Accreditation Council, the educational organisation has the right to appeal to the IAAR Appeals and Complaints Commission.

The Review Report of the External Expert Panel, which reflects overall experts' assessment of the educational programme for compliance with IAAR standards is attached to the letter.

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Please accept our congratulations to the Sumy State University with the positive international accreditation outcome and we look forward to fruitful future cooperation!

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## Annexes:

- Accreditation Certificate 1 sheet
- Review Report on Educational Programme 222 Medicine 85 sheets

Yours sincerely, General Director

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