



Willful Deception Policy

Scope of This Policy

This policy addresses the submission of deceptive information in any report to the COCA.

Policy

The provision of false or misleading information or the failure to provide material information may affect accreditation status. If the COCA determines that a program has knowingly supplied false or misleading information or has failed to supply relevant material information to the COCA, to a site visit team, or on any required report, the COCA will reconsider the program's accreditation status and term and determine any appropriate follow-up action, which may include a change in the COM's accreditation status or term. Similar action may be taken if a COM knowingly takes actions that result in misleading information being provided to the COCA or site visit teams, makes misleading or incorrect public statements or disclosures regarding its accreditation status, or fails to notify interested parties of an adverse accreditation action.