

NOSM Report to Senate, November 2011.

2011-2012 is the year of accreditation for NOSM.

WE have begun with an accreditation of our Physician Assistant Program by the Canadian Medical Association. This is a program run in partnership with the Mitchner Institute and the University of Toronto. The visit was in September and there was a very positive exit interview, which indicated that there would be a recommendation for a two-year accreditation (the longest available for a new program).

November sees the accreditation of the schools' professional development and continuing medical education programs, through the Committee on Accreditation of Continuing Education (CACME). A mock visit has taken place and was very helpful in fine-tuning our application.

March 2012 brings a full accreditation visit from LCME/CACMS, the body responsible for the accreditation of all North American Medical Schools. This will be the first visit conducted while NOSM is fully functioning medical school. A recent mock visit has identified areas of weakness for the School to work on between now and March.

Finally an Internal Review of our postgraduate residency programs will take place early in 2012. While not a full accreditation visit, it is in fact, despite its name, an external review and will provide valuable information and experience for a full visit in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

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