“ACICS has denied a new grant of accreditation to the Healthcare Institute of Jackson because of the institution’s failure to demonstrate compliance with standards regarding a grading system that is consistent between transcripts and student catalog, as well as other deficiencies in the catalog; admissions requirements that are applied to all students; the appropriate administration and documentation of satisfactory academic progress; separation of admissions and financial aid functions; employment assistance provided to students; official transcripts for all faculty members; faculty development plans, and notification of changes within the Nursing Assistant program.”

The Institute has provided the following official response to the Council’s denial of accreditation:

"The Healthcare Institute of Jackson (HCI) does not support nor concur with the Council’s decision to deny our application for a new grant of accreditation. Since obtaining ACICS accreditation in 2007, the Institute has worked diligently with local community leaders and employers to ensure our students receive training responsive to the community’s needs. Throughout our membership with ACICS, HCI has consistently reported institutional retention and placement rates well above agency benchmarks and peer averages and our graduates have performed well on applicable licensure exams. We continue to believe HCI is an institution worthy of accreditation despite the three noted areas of noncompliance and regret that the Commission took this action.

Despite our disagreement and the negative impact the loss of accreditation will have on the Jackson, Mississippi community and our students, we continue to be determined to transform lives. The education we provide to our students is not only vital to their professional development, but to the health and welfare of our community. They are respected and appreciated by their neighbors and co-workers, and HCI is relied upon by local hospitals and medical offices to serve their staffing needs. HCI will continue to explore ways that it can continue to serve the Jackson, Mississippi community.”