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KENT STATE UNIVERSITY AND VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY RENEW ACADEMIC ACCREDITATION, SHAWNEE STATE UNIVERSITY CONVERTS FROM NHA TO HSE AT NAB MID-YEAR MEETING

WASHINGTON, DC—NAB is pleased to announce 2 schools that renewed their academic accreditation and one that made the conversion to HSE at this year’s Mid-Year Meeting, held October 20-22 in Monterey, CA.

Kent State University has been NHA accredited since 2011 and became HSE accredited this fall. “Kent State University is honored to have earned our third consecutive accreditation from NAB for the Long-Term Care Administration Program,” said Donna Alexander, LNHA, MBA, CDP, Long Term Care Administration Program Coordinator. “We would like to thank the site visitors, faculty, staff, students, alumni, and Advisory Committee members for their collaborative efforts leading to a successful visit. It was especially memorable to receive approval at NAB's Mid-Year Meeting and 50th Anniversary Celebration in Monterey, California and during Randy Lindner, President and CEO’s, 25th year anniversary celebration. Kent State University's LTCA program has a rich history of developing future senior living leaders, and we’re thrilled to continue that legacy as a NAB-accredited program.”

Virginia Commonwealth University holds the distinction of being the only master’s level Residential Care/Assisted Living program approved by the NAB and was honored for successful renewal of that distinction. “I am so excited that VCU Gerontology continues to be recognized by the NAB for our commitment to growing the Assisted Living Administrator workforce,” said Jennifer M. Pryor, M.A., M.S., LALFA, Program Director and Co-Director for Assisted Living Administration. “I am proud of all the hard work our faculty, staff, students, alumni, and community partners have put in over the past five years to bring about tremendous growth in our program. I am continually grateful for the support and commitment of our community in helping us move forward as leaders in assisted living administration education. We are looking forward to the continued growth and development this accreditation brings.”

Shawnee State University has been NHA accredited since 2021 and made the conversion from NHA to HSE accreditation this fall. Their thoughtfulness in expanding the program's curriculum is a testament to their success in making this conversion.
About NAB

Established in 1995, NAB's academic accreditation programs goals are to improve and strengthen the academic preparation of Health Services Executives—a goal we believe educators share. NAB encourages the improvement of baccalaureate and graduate-level HSE degree programs by application of specific accreditation requirements to measure characteristics of a program, and by making judgments about the overall quality of the program.

NAB’s accreditation program has evolved over the past 25 years from a degree in nursing home administration to the current Health Services Executive (HSE) degree program preparing students to meet practice standards in all lines of senior living and health services. Currently, 19 states have adopted the NAB HSE standard.

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