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Non-Compliance Exit Report

PART I: INTRODUCTION

On January 20, 2015, the California Acupuncture Board conducted a compliance visit at Alhambra Medical University (AMU). The site team found issues of non-compliance with the California Acupuncture Board Training Program requirements.

PART II: ALHAMBRA MEDICAL UNIVERSITY'S TRAINING PROGRAM NON-COMPLIANCE

Finding: Multiple Chinese Student Enrollment Agreement forms were not in English.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.439(c):

"All student records shall be maintained in English."

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

The Director of Admission of AMU reorganized and combined the English and Chinese Enrollment Agreements into one form with English on one side and Chinese on the other.

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.439(c).

PART III: ALHAMBRA MEDICAL UNIVERSITY'S MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ACUPUNCTURE AND ORIENTAL MEDICINE CURRICULUM NON-COMPLIANCE

Alhambra Medical University is approved for its Master of Science in Oriental Medicine training program. The program has a total of 3,300 curriculum hours. The following are findings of non-compliances of the curriculum.

Finding #1: The general psychology requirement is not met due to the lack of instruction of counseling skills.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(a)(4):

“General Psychology, including counseling skills.”

AMU’s Curriculum

AMU listed course, BS 104 Psychology, on its curriculum requirement form to fulfill CCR Section 1399.434(a)(4). The course lacks instruction of counseling skills and therefore does not meet the Board’s requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, BS 104 Psychology, to include counseling skills (See AMU’s Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(a)(4).

Finding #2: The pathology and pathophysiology requirement is not met due to lack of instruction of microbiology, psychopathology, and epidemiology.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(a)(7):

“Pathology and pathophysiology – a survey of the nature of disease and illness, including microbiology, immunology, psychopathology, and epidemiology”.

AMU’s Curriculum

AMU stated on its curriculum requirement form that the following courses fulfill CCR Section 1399.434(a)(7):

1. BS 311 Pathology I
2. BS 312 Pathology II
3. BS 313 Pathology III

However, the courses lack instruction of microbiology, psychopathology, and epidemiology, and therefore does not meet the Board’s requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, BS 106 Microbiology & Immunology, PH 101 Public Health, and BS 313 Pathology III, to include microbiology, psychopathology, and epidemiology (See AMU’s Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(a)(7).

Finding #3: The Chinese Herbal Medicine Principles and Theories requirement is not met due to the lack of instruction of at least 450 hours.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program

CCR Section 1399.434(b)(1)(D):

“Chinese Herbal Medicine Principles and Theory, including relevant botany concepts (This subject area shall consist of at least 450 hours of instruction).”

AMU’s Curriculum

AMU listed the following courses to satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(b)(1)(D):

1. HB 100 Introduction to Botany and Herbs
2. HB 101 Chinese Herbology I
3. HB 102 Chinese Herbology II
4. HB 103 Chinese Herbology III
5. HB 104 Chinese Herbology IV
6. HB 201 Chinese Herbal Formula I
7. HB 202 Chinese Herbal Formula II
8. HB 203 Chinese Herbal Formula III
9. HB 204 Chinese Herbal Formula IV
10. HB 401 Advanced Formula Shang Han
11. HB 402 Jin Kui Yao Lue
12. HB 403 Wen Bing
13. HB 410 Formula Writing
14. HB 310 Clinical Herbology

Though the courses meet the curriculum requirement, they do not meet minimum hours of instruction. The courses have a total of 420 clock hours. AMU does have another Herbology course, but it is not listed on the curriculum requirement form under this section. Therefore, AMU is missing 30 clock hours and does not meet the Board’s requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

AMU listed course, HB 300 TCM Nutrition to meet the Herbology requirement (See AMU’s Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(b)(1)(D).

Finding #4: The Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine Specialties requirement is not met due to the lack of instruction of pediatrics, ophthalmology, geriatrics, family medicine, and emergency care.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(b)(1)(F):

“Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine Specialties, including dermatology, gynecology, pediatrics, ophthalmology, orthopedics, internal medicine, geriatrics, family medicine, traumatology, and emergency care.”

AMU’s Curriculum

AMU listed the following courses to satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(b)(1)(F):

1. OM 301 TCM Internal Medicine I
2. OM 302 TCM Internal Medicine II
3. OM 303 TCM Internal Medicine III
4. OM 304 TCM Internal Medicine IV
5. OM 401 TCM Dermatology
6. OM 402 TCM Gynecology
7. OM 405 TCM Orthopedics & Traumatology I
8. OM 406 TCM Orthopedics & Traumatology II
9. OM 404 Integration of Asian/Western Medicine

None of the courses have instruction of pediatrics, ophthalmology, geriatrics, family medicine, or emergency care, and therefore do not meet the Board's requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, OM 301 TCM Internal Medicine I, OM 302 TCM Internal Medicine II, OM 303 TCM Internal Medicine III, and OM 304 TCM Internal Medicine IV, to include pediatrics, ophthalmology, geriatrics, family medicine, and emergency care (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(b)(1)(F).

Finding #5: The classical acupuncture and Oriental Medicine literature requirement is not met due to the lack of instruction of Jin Gui, Wen Bing/Shang Han, and Nei Jing.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(b)(1)(G):

“Classical acupuncture and Oriental Medicine literature, including Jin Gui, Wen Bing/Shang Han, Nei Jing.”

AMU’s Curriculum

AMU stated on its curriculum requirement form that the course, OM 100 Medical History & TCM Literatures, fulfills CCR Section 1399.434(b)(1)(G). However, the course lacks instruction of Jin Gui, Wen Bing/Shang Han, and Nei Jing and therefore does not meet the Board's requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, OM 100 Medical History & TCM Literatures, to include Jin Gui, Wen Bing/Shang Han, and Nei Jing (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(b)(1)(G).

Finding #6: The herbal prescription, counseling and preparation requirement is not met due to lack of instruction of counseling and preparation.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(b)(2)(E):

"Herbal prescription, counseling and preparation."

AMU's Curriculum

AMU listed the course, HB 410 Formula Writing, to fulfill CCR Section 1399.434(b)(2)(E) on its curriculum requirement form. The course does not have instruction of counseling and preparation and therefore does not meet the Board's requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, HB 201 Chinese Herbal Formula I, HB 202 Chinese Herbal Formula II, HB 203 Chinese Herbal Formula III, HB 204 Chinese Herbal Formula IV, and HB 410 Formula Writing, to include counseling and preparation instruction (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(b)(2)(E).

Finding #7: The Oriental and Western clinical and medical nutrition, dietary and supplement prescription and counseling requirement is not met due to the lack of instruction of counseling.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(b)(2)(F):

"Oriental and Western clinical and medical nutrition, dietary and supplement prescription and counseling."

AMU's Curriculum

AMU stated on its curriculum requirement form that the course, HB 300 TCM Nutrition, fulfills CCR Section 1399.434(b)(2)(F). However, the course lacks instruction of counseling and therefore does not meet the Board's requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, HB 300 TCM Nutrition, to include counseling (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(b)(2)(F).

Finding #8: The cold and heat therapy requirement is not met due to the lack of instruction of ultrasound.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(b)(2)(G):

"Cold and heat therapy, including moxibustion and ultrasound."

AMU's Curriculum

AMU listed course, AC 301 Acupuncture Technique I, on its curriculum requirement form to fulfill CCR Section 1399.434(b)(2)(G). The course lacks instruction of ultrasound and therefore does not meet the Board's requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, AC 301 Acupuncture Technique, to include ultrasound (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(b)(2)(G).

Finding #9: The lifestyle counseling, and self-care recommendations requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(b)(2)(H):

"Lifestyle counseling, and self-care recommendations."

AMU's Curriculum

AMU stated on its curriculum requirement form that the course, OM 204 Clinical Consulting Skills, fulfills CCR Section 1399.434(b)(2)(H). Yet the course lacks instruction of lifestyle counseling and self-care recommendations and does not meet the Board's requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, OM 204 Clinic Consulting Skills, to include lifestyle counseling and self-care recommendations (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(b)(2)(H).

Finding #10: The adjunctive acupuncture procedures requirement is not met due to the lack of instruction of bleeding, gua sha, and dermal tacks.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(b)(2)(I):

“Adjunctive acupuncture procedures, including bleeding, cupping, gua sha, and dermal tacks.”

AMU's Curriculum

AMU listed the course, AC 301 Acupuncture Technique I, to fulfill CCR Section 1399.434(b)(2)(I) on its curriculum requirement form. The course lacks instruction of bleeding, gua sha, and dermal tacks and therefore does not meet the Board's requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, AC 301 Acupuncture Technique I and AC 302 Acupuncture Technique II, to include bleeding, gua sha, and ultrasound (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(b)(2)(I).

Finding #11: The adjunctive acupoint stimulation devices, including magnets and beads requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(b)(2)(M):

“Adjunctive acupoint stimulation devices, including magnets and beads.”

AMU's Curriculum

AMU stated on its curriculum requirement form that the following courses satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(b)(2)(M):

1. AC 301 Acupuncture Techniques I
2. AC 302 Acupuncture Technique II & Lab

None of the courses listed have instruction on magnets and beads and therefore do not meet the Board's requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, AC 302 Acupuncture Technique II, to include magnets and beads (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(b)(2)(M).

Finding #12: The pharmacological assessment requirement is not met due to the lack of instruction of side-effects and herb-drug interactions.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(c)(3):

"Pharmacological assessment, emphasizing side-effects and herb-drug interactions."

AMU's Curriculum

AMU listed the course, WM 304 Western Pharmacology, on its curriculum requirement form to fulfill CCR Section 1399.434(c)(3). This course does not fulfill the Board's requirement because it lacks instruction on side-effects and herb-drug interactions.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, WM 304 Western Pharmacology, to include side effects and herb-drug interactions (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(c)(3).

Finding #13: The clinical impressions and the formation of a working diagnosis requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(c)(7):

"Clinical impressions and the formation of a working diagnosis, including acupuncture and Oriental medicine diagnoses and the World Health Organization's international classification of disease (ICD-9)."

AMU's Curriculum

AMU stated on its curriculum requirement form that the course, WM 303 Differential Diagnosis, fulfills CCR Section 1399.434(c)(7). However, the course

lacks instruction of clinical impressions and the formation of a working diagnosis, including acupuncture and Oriental medicine diagnoses and the World Health Organization's internal classification of disease (ICD-9). This course does not meet the Board's requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, WM 303 Differential Diagnosis, OM 202 TCM Diagnosis II, OM 203 TCM Diagnosis III, to include acupuncture and Oriental medicine diagnoses and the World Health Organization's internal classification of disease (ICD-9) (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(c)(7).

Finding #14: The awareness of at-risk population requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(c)(8):

"Awareness of at-risk population, including gender, age, indigent, and disease specific patients."

AMU's Curriculum

AMU stated on its curriculum requirement form that the course, WM 303 Differential Diagnosis, fulfills CCR Section 1399.434(c)(7). The course does not meet the Board's requirement because it lacks instruction of awareness of at-risk population, including gender, age, indigent, and disease specific patients.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, WM 303 Differential Diagnosis, to include instruction of awareness of at-risk population, including gender, age, indigent, and disease specific patients (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(c)(7).

Finding #15: The clinical sciences requirement is not met due to the lack of instruction of radiology and public health.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(c)(10):

"Clinical sciences – a review of internal medicine, pharmacology, neurology, surgery, obstetrics/gynecology, urology, radiology, nutrition and public health."

AMU's Curriculum

AMU listed the following courses on its curriculum requirement form to fulfill CCR Section 1399.434(c)(10):

1. WM 401 Western Clinical Science I
2. WM 402 Western Clinical Science II
3. WM 403 Western Clinical Science III
4. WM 404 Western Clinical Science IV
5. WM 405 Western Clinical Science V

None of the courses listed above have instruction of radiology and public health and therefore does not meet the Board's requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, WM 401 Western Clinical Sciences, to include radiology and public health (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(c)(10).

Finding #16: The Clinical medicine requirement is not met due to the lack of instruction of osteopathy, dentistry, psychology, nursing, podiatry, naturopathy, and homeopathy.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(c)(11):

"Clinical medicine – a survey of the clinical practice of medicine, osteopathy, dentistry, psychology, nursing, chiropractic, podiatry, naturopathy, and homeopathy to familiarize practitioners with the practices of other health care practitioners."

AMU's Curriculum

AMU stated on its curriculum requirement form that the course, WM 500 Survey of Clinical Medicine, satisfies CCR Section 1399.434(c)(11). The course does not meet the Board's requirement because it lacks instruction of osteopathy, dentistry, psychology, nursing, podiatry, naturopathy, and homeopathy.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, WM 500 Survey of Clinical Medicine, to include instruction of osteopathy, dentistry, psychology, nursing, podiatry, naturopathy, and homeopathy (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(c)(11).

Finding #17: The primary care responsibilities requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(d)(1):

“Primary care responsibilities.”

AMU’s Curriculum

AMU listed the following courses on its curriculum requirement form to satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(d)(1):

1. CM 301 Case Management I
2. CM 302 Case Management II
3. CM 303 Case Management III

None of the courses have instruction of primary care responsibilities and therefore does not meet the Board’s requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, and CM 303 Case Management III to include primary care responsibilities (See AMU’s Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(d)(1).

Finding #18: Secondary and specialty care responsibilities requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(d)(2):

“Secondary and specialty care responsibilities.”

AMU’s Curriculum

AMU listed the following courses on its curriculum requirement form to satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(d)(2):

1. CM 301 Case Management I
2. CM 302 Case Management II
3. CM 303 Case Management III

The courses do not meet the Board’s requirement because it lacks instruction of secondary and specialty care responsibilities.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, CM 303 Case Management III, to include secondary and specialty care responsibilities (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(d)(2).

Finding #19: The psychosocial assessment requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(d)(3):

"Psychosocial assessment."

AMU's Curriculum

AMU listed the following courses on its curriculum requirement form to satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(d)(3):

1. CM 301 Case Management I
2. CM 302 Case Management II
3. CM 303 Case Management III

The courses lack instruction of psychosocial assessment and therefore do not meet the Board's requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, and CM 303 Case Management III, to include psychosocial assessment (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(d)(3).

Finding #20: The treatment of contraindications and complications, including drug and herbs interactions requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(d)(4):

"Treatment of contraindications and complications, including drug and herb interactions."

AMU's Curriculum

AMU listed the following courses on its curriculum requirement form to satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(d)(4):

1. CM 301 Case Management I

2. CM 302 Case Management II
3. CM 303 Case Management III

The courses lack instruction of treatment of contraindications and complications, and therefore do not meet the Board's requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, and CM 303 Case Management III, to include instruction of treatment of contraindications and complications (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(d)(4).

Finding #21: The treatment planning, continuity of care, referral and collaboration requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(d)(5):

"Treatment planning, continuity of care, referral and collaboration."

AMU's Curriculum

AMU listed the following courses on its curriculum requirement form to satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(d)(5):

1. CM 301 Case Management I
2. CM 302 Case Management II
3. CM 303 Case Management III

The courses do not meet the Board's requirement because it lacks instruction of treatment planning, continuity of care, referral, and collaboration.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, and CM 303 Case Management III, to include treatment planning, continuity of care, referral and collaboration (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(d)(5).

Finding #22: The follow-up care, final review, and functional outcome measurements requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(d)(6):

“Follow-up care, final review, and functional outcome measurements.”

AMU’s Curriculum

AMU listed the following courses on its curriculum requirement form to satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(d)(6):

1. CM 301 Case Management I
2. CM 302 Case Management II
3. CM 303 Case Management III

The courses listed above lack instruction of follow-up care, final review, and functional outcome measurement and therefore do not meet the Board’s requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, and CM 303 Case Management III, to include follow-up care, final review, and functional outcome (See AMU’s Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(d)(6).

Finding #23: The prognosis and future medical care requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(d)(7):

“Prognosis and future medical care.”

AMU’s Curriculum

AMU listed the following courses on its curriculum requirement form to satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(d)(7):

1. CM 301 Case Management I
2. CM 302 Case Management II
3. CM 303 Case Management III

The courses do not have instruction of prognosis and future medical care and therefore do not meet the Board’s requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, and CM 303 Case Management III, to include prognosis and future medical care (See AMU’s Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(d)(7).

Finding #24: The case management for injured workers and socialized medicine patients requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(d)(8):

“Case management for injured workers and socialized medicine patients, including a knowledge of workers compensation/labor codes and procedures and qualified medical evaluations.”

AMU’s Curriculum

AMU listed the following courses on its curriculum requirement form to satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(d)(8):

1. CM 301 Case Management I
2. CM 302 Case Management II
3. CM 303 Case Management III

The course does not meet the Board’s requirement because it lacks instruction of case management for injured workers and socialized medicine patients, including a knowledge of workers compensation/labor codes and procedures and qualified medical evaluations.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, and CM 303 Case Management III, to include case management for injured workers and socialized medicine patient, including a knowledge of worker compensation/labor codes and procedures and qualified medical evaluations (See AMU’s Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(d)(8).

Finding #25: The coding procedures for the current procedural codes requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(d)(9):

“Coding procedure for current procedural codes, including CPT and ICD-9 Diagnoses.”

AMU’s Curriculum

AMU listed the following courses on its curriculum requirement form to satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(d)(9):

1. CM 301 Case Management I
2. CM 302 Case Management II
3. CM 303 Case Management III

None of the courses have instruction of coding procedure for current procedural codes, including CPT and ICD-9 diagnoses and therefore does not meet the Board's requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, CM 303 Case Management III, OM 203 TCM Diagnosis III, and WM 303 Differential Diagnosis, to include CPT and coding procedures for current procedural codes (ICD-9) (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR section 1399.434(d)(9).

Finding #26: The medical-legal report writing, expert medical testimony, and independent medical review requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(d)(10):

“Medical-legal report writing, expert medical testimony, and independent medical review.”

AMU's Curriculum

AMU listed the following courses on its curriculum requirement form to satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(d)(10):

1. CM 301 Case Management I
2. CM 302 Case Management II
3. CM 303 Case Management III

None of the courses listed above have instruction of medical-legal report writing, expert medical testimony, and independent medical review and therefore does not adhere to the Board's requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, and CM 303 Case Management III to include medical-legal report writing, expert testimony, and independent medical review (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(d)(10).

Finding #27: The special care/seriously ill patients requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(d)(11):

“Special care/seriously ill patients.”

AMU’s Curriculum

AMU listed the following courses on its curriculum requirement form to satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(d)(11):

1. CM 301 Case Management I
2. CM 302 Case Management II
3. CM 303 Case Management III

The course does not meet the Board’s requirement because it lacks instruction of special care/seriously ill patients.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, and CM 303 Case Management III, to include special care for seriously ill patients (See AMU’s Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(d)(11).

Finding #28: The emergency procedure requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(d)(12):

“Emergency procedures.”

AMU’s Curriculum

AMU listed the following courses on its curriculum requirement form to satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(d)(12):

1. CM 301 Case Management I
2. CM 302 Case Management II
3. CM 303 Case Management III

None of the courses have instruction on emergency procedures and therefore does not meet the Board’s requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, and CM 303 Case Management III, to include emergency procedures (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(d)(12).

Finding #29: The record billing, insurance billing and collection requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(e)(1):

"Record keeping, insurance billing and collection."

AMU's Curriculum

AMU stated on its curriculum requirement form that the following courses satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(e)(1):

1. MG 401 Clinical Management
2. MG 402 Medical Ethics

These courses lack instruction of record keeping, insurance billing and collections, and therefore do not meet the Board's requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, MG 401 Clinical Management, to include instruction in record keeping, insurance billing and collection (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(e)(1).

Finding #30: The business written communications requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(e)(2):

"Business written communications."

AMU's Curriculum

AMU stated on its curriculum requirement form that the following courses satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(e)(2):

1. MG 401 Clinical Management
2. MG 402 Medical Ethics

These courses do not meet the Board's requirement because it lacks instruction on business written communications.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, MG 401 Clinical Management, to include business written communications (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(e)(2).

Finding #31: The knowledge of regulatory compliance and jurisprudence requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(e)(3):

"Knowledge of regulatory compliance and jurisprudence (municipal, California, and federal laws, including OSHA, Labor Code, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA))."

AMU's Curriculum

AMU stated on its curriculum requirement form that the following courses satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(e)(3):

1. MG 401 Clinical Management
2. MG 402 Medical Ethics

These courses do not meet the Board's requirement because it lacks instruction of knowledge of regulatory compliance and jurisprudence (municipal, California, and federal laws, including OSHA, Labor Code, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA)).

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, MG 402 Medical Ethics, to include a knowledge of the regulatory compliance and jurisprudence (municipal, California, and federal laws, including OSHA, Labor Code, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(e)(3).

Finding #32: The front office procedures requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(e)(4):

“Front office procedures.”

AMU’s Curriculum

AMU stated on its curriculum requirement form that the following courses satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(e)(4):

1. MG 401 Clinical Management
2. MG 402 Medical Ethics

None of the course has instruction of front office procedures and therefore does not meet the Board’s requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, MG 401 Clinical Management and MG 402 Medical Ethics, to include front office procedures (See AMU’s Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(e)(4).

Finding #33: The planning and establishing a professional office requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(e)(5):

“Planning and establishing a professional office.”

AMU’s Curriculum

AMU stated on its curriculum requirement form that the following courses satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(e)(5):

1. MG 401 Clinical Management
2. MG 402 Medical Ethics.

These courses do not meet the Board’s requirement because it lacks instruction of planning and establishing a professional office.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, MG 401 Clinical Management, to include instruction of planning and establishing a professional office (See AMU’s Corrective Action Plan).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(e)(5).

Finding #34: The practice growth and development requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(e)(6):

“Practice growth and development.”

AMU’s Curriculum

AMU stated on its curriculum requirement form that the following courses satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(e)(6):

1. MG 401 Clinical Management
2. MG 402 Medical Ethics

None of these courses have instruction of practice growth and development therefore does not meet the Board’s requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, MG 401 Clinical Management, to include the practice growth and development (See AMU’s Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(e)(6).

Finding #35: The ability to practice in interdisciplinary medical settings, including hospitals requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(e)(7):

“Ability to practice interdisciplinary medical settings including hospitals.”

AMU’s Curriculum

AMU stated on its curriculum requirement form that the following courses satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(e)(7):

1. MG 401 Clinical Management
2. MG 402 Medical Ethics

These courses do not have instruction on the ability to practice in interdisciplinary medical settings including hospitals, and therefore does not meet the Board’s requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, MG 401 Clinical Management and MG 402 Medical Ethics, to include the ability to practice

interdisciplinary medical settings, including hospitals (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(e)(7).

Finding #36: The knowledge of academic peer review process requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(g)(2):

"Knowledge of academic peer review process."

AMU's Curriculum

AMU stated on its curriculum requirement form that the course, RM 101 Research of AOM, satisfy CCR Section 1399.434(g)(2). However, the course lacks instruction of knowledge of academic peer review process and does not meet the Board's requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, RM 101 Research of AOM, to include knowledge of academic peer review process (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(g)(2).

Finding #37: The knowledge of critique of research method requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(g)(3):

"Knowledge of critique of research methods."

AMU's Curriculum

AMU listed the course, RM 101 Research of AOM, to fulfill CCR Section 1399.434(g)(3) on its curriculum requirement form. The course lacks instruction of knowledge of critique of research methods, and therefore does not meet the Board's requirement.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, RM 101 Research of AOM, to include knowledge of critique of research methods (See AMU's Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(g)(3).

Finding #38: The history of medicine requirement is not met.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(g)(4):

“History of medicine.”

AMU’s Curriculum

AMU stated on its curriculum requirement form that the course, RM 101 Research of AOM, fulfills CCR Section 1399.434(g)(4). However, the course does not meet the Board’s requirement because it lacks instruction of history of medicine.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, RM 101 Research of AOM, to include history of medicine (See AMU’s Corrective Action Report).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(g)(4).

Summary of Alhambra Medical University Curriculum Non-Compliances

CCR Section 1399.434	Alhambra Medical University’s Curriculum	Unsatisfied Requirement(s)	Corrective Action
1. (a)(4): “General Psychology, including counseling skills.”	BS 104 Psychology	Counseling skills	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, BS 104 Psychology, to include counseling skills
2. (a)(7): “Pathology and pathophysiology – a survey of the nature of disease and illness, including microbiology, immunology, psychopathology, and epidemiology”.	BS 311 Pathology I BS 312 Pathology II BS 313 Pathology III	Microbiology, psychopathology, and epidemiology	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, BS 106 Microbiology & Immunology, PH 101 Public Health, and BS 313 Pathology III, to include microbiology, psychopathology, and epidemiology
3. (b)(1)(D): “Chinese Herbal Medicine Principles and Theory, including	HB 100 Introduction to Botany and Herbs HB 101 Chinese Herbology I	Missing 30 clock hours of Chinese Herbal Medicine Principles and	AMU listed course, HB 300 TCM Nutrition to meet the Herbology requirement

<p>relevant botany concepts (This subject area shall consist of at least 450 hours of instruction).”</p>	<p>HB 102 Chinese Herbology II HB 103 Chinese Herbology III HB 104 Chinese Herbology IV HB 201 Chinese Herbal Formula I HB 202 Chinese Herbal Formula II HB 203 Chinese Herbal Formula III HB 204 Chinese Herbal Formula IV HB 401 Advanced Formula Shang Han HB 402 Jin Kui Yao Lue HB 403 Wen Bing HB 410 Formula Writing HB 310 Clinical Herbology</p>	<p>Theory, including relevant botany concepts</p>	
<p>4. (b)(1)(F): “Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine Specialties, including dermatology, gynecology, pediatrics, ophthalmology, orthopedics, internal medicine, geriatrics, family medicine, traumatology, and emergency care.”</p>	<p>OM 301 TCM Internal Medicine I OM 302 TCM Internal Medicine II OM 303 TCM Internal Medicine III OM 304 TCM Internal Medicine IV OM 401 TCM Dermatology OM 402 TCM Gynecology OM 405 TCM Orthopedics & Traumatology I OM 406 TCM Orthopedics & Traumatology II OM 404 Integration of Asian/Western Medicine</p>	<p>Pediatrics, ophthalmology, geriatrics, family medicine, and emergency care</p>	<p>Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, OM 301 TCM Internal Medicine I, OM 302 TCM Internal Medicine II, OM 303 TCM Internal Medicine III, and OM 304 TCM Internal Medicine IV, to include pediatrics, ophthalmology, geriatrics, family medicine, and emergency care</p>

5. (b)(1)(G): “Classical acupuncture and Oriental Medicine literature, including Jin Gui, Wen Bing/Shang Han, Nei Jing.”	OM 100 Medical History & TCM Literatures	Jin Gui, Wen Bing/Shang Han, and Nei Jing	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, OM 100 Medical History & TCM Literatures, to include Jin Gui, Wen Bing/Shang Han, and Nei Jing
6. (b)(2)(E): “Herbal prescription, counseling and preparation.”	HB 410 Formula Writing	Counseling	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, HB 201 Chinese Herbal Formula I, HB 202 Chinese Herbal Formula II, HB 203 Chinese Herbal Formula III, HB 204 Chinese Herbal Formula IV, and HB 410 Formula Writing, to include counseling and preparation instruction.
7. (b)(2)(F): “Oriental and Western clinical and medical nutrition, dietary and supplement prescription and counseling.”	HB 300 TCM Nutrition	Counseling	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, HB 300 TCM Nutrition, to include counseling
8. (b)(2)(G): “Cold and heat therapy, including moxibustion and ultrasound.”	AC 301 Acupuncture Technique	Ultrasound	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, AC 301 Acupuncture Technique, to include ultrasound
9. (b)(2)(H): “Lifestyle counseling, and self-care recommendations.”	OM 204 Clinical Consulting Skills	Lifestyle counseling, and self-care recommendations	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, OM 204 Clinic Consulting Skills, to include lifestyle counseling and self-care recommendations
10. (b)(2)(I): “Adjunctive acupuncture procedures, including bleeding, cupping,	AC 301 Acupuncture Technique I	Bleeding, gua sha, and dermal tacks	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, AC 301 Acupuncture Technique I and AC 302 Acupuncture

gua sha, and dermal tacks.”			Technique II, to include bleeding, gua sha, and ultrasound
11.(b)(2)(M): “Adjunctive acupoint stimulation devices, including magnets and beads.”	AC 301 Acupuncture Techniques I AC 302 Acupuncture Technique II & Lab	Magnets and beads	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, AC 302 Acupuncture Technique II, to include magnets and beads
12.(c)(3): “Pharmacological assessment, emphasizing side-effects and herb-drug interactions.”	WM 304 Western Pharmacology	Side-effects and herb-drug interactions	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, WM 304 Western Pharmacology, to include side effects and herb-drug interactions
13.(c)(7): “Clinical impressions and the formation of a working diagnosis, including acupuncture and Oriental medicine diagnoses and the World Health Organization’s international classification of disease (ICD-9).”	WM 303 Differential Diagnosis	Clinical impressions and the formation of a working diagnosis, including acupuncture and Oriental medicine diagnoses and the World Health Organization’s international classification of disease (ICD-9)	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, WM 303 Differential Diagnosis, OM 202 TCM Diagnosis II, OM 203 TCM Diagnosis III, to include acupuncture and Oriental medicine diagnoses and the World Health Organization’s internal classification of disease (ICD-9)
14.(c)(8): “Awareness of at-risk population, including gender, age, indigent, and disease specific patients.”	WM 303 Differential Diagnosis	Awareness of at-risk population, including gender, age, indigent, and disease specific patients	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, WM 303 Differential Diagnosis, to include instruction of awareness of at-risk population, including gender, age, indigent, and disease specific patients
15.(c)(10): “Clinical sciences – a review of internal medicine, pharmacology, neurology, surgery, obstetrics/gynecology, urology, radiology, nutrition and public	WM 401 Western Clinical Science I WM 402 Western Clinical Science II WM 403 Western Clinical Science III WM 404 Western Clinical Science IV WM 405 Western	Radiology and public health	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, WM 401 Western Clinical Sciences, to include radiology and public health

health.	Clinical Science V		
16. (c)(11): “Clinical medicine – a survey of the clinical practice of medicine, osteopathy, dentistry, psychology, nursing, chiropractic, podiatry, naturopathy, and homeopathy to familiarize practitioners with the practices of other health care practitioners.”	WM 500 Survey of Clinical Medicine	Osteopathy, dentistry, psychology, nursing, podiatry, naturopathy, and homeopathy	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, WM 500 Survey of Clinical Medicine, to include instruction of osteopathy, dentistry, psychology, nursing, podiatry, naturopathy, and homeopathy
17. (d)(1): “Primary care responsibilities.”	CM 301 Case Management I CM 302 Case Management II CM 303 Case Management III	Primary care responsibilities	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, and CM 303 Case Management III to include primary care responsibilities
18. (d)(2): “Secondary and specialty care responsibilities.”	CM 301 Case Management I CM 302 Case Management II CM 303 Case Management III	Secondary and specialty care responsibilities	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, CM 303 Case Management III, to include secondary and specialty care responsibilities
19. (d)(3): “Psychosocial assessment.”	CM 301 Case Management I CM 302 Case Management II CM 303 Case Management III	Psychosocial assessment	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, and CM 303 Case Management III, to include psychosocial assessment
20. (d)(4): “Treatment of contraindications and complications, including drug and	CM 301 Case Management I CM 302 Case Management II CM 303 Case	Treatment of contraindications and complications, including drug and herb interactions	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II,

herb interactions.”	Management III		and CM 303 Case Management III, to include instruction of treatment of contraindications and complications
21. (d)(5): “Treatment planning, continuity of care, referral and collaboration.”	CM 301 Case Management I CM 302 Case Management II CM 303 Case Management III	Treatment planning, continuity of care, referral and collaboration	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, and CM 303 Case Management III, to include treatment planning, continuity of care, referral and collaboration
22. (d)(6): “Follow-up care, final review, and functional outcome measurements.”	CM 301 Case Management I CM 302 Case Management II CM 303 Case Management III	Follow-up care, final review, and functional outcome measurement	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, and CM 303 Case Management III, to include follow-up care, final review, and functional outcome
23. (d)(7): “Prognosis and future medical care.”	CM 301 Case Management I CM 302 Case Management II CM 303 Case Management III	Prognosis and future medical care	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, and CM 303 Case Management III, to include prognosis and future medical care
24. (d)(8): “Case management for injured workers and socialized medicine patients, including a knowledge of workers compensation/labor codes and procedures and qualified medical evaluations.”	CM 301 Case Management I CM 302 Case Management II CM 303 Case Management III	Case management for injured workers and socialized medicine patients, including a knowledge of workers compensation/labor code and procedures and qualified medical evaluations	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, and CM 303 Case Management III, to include case management for injured workers and socialized medicine patient, including a knowledge of worker compensation/labor codes and procedures and

			qualified medical evaluations
25. (d)(9): “Coding procedure for current procedural codes, including CPT and ICD-9 Diagnoses.”	CM 301 Case Management I CM 302 Case Management II CM 303 Case Management III	Coding procedure for current procedural codes, including CPT and ICD-9 Diagnoses	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, CM 303 Case Management III, OM 203 TCM Diagnosis III, and WM 303 Differential Diagnosis, to include CPT and coding procedures for current procedural codes (ICD-9)
26. (d)(10): “Medical-legal report writing, expert medical testimony, and independent medical review	CM 301 Case Management I CM 302 Case Management II CM 303 Case Management III	Medical-legal report writing, expert medical testimony, and independent medical review	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, and CM 303 Case Management III to include medical-legal report writing, expert testimony, and independent medical review
27. (d)(11): “Special care/seriously ill patients.”	CM 301 Case Management I CM 302 Case Management II CM 303 Case Management III	Special care/seriously ill patients	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, and CM 303 Case Management III, to include special care for seriously ill patients
28. (d)(12): “Emergency procedures.”	CM 301 Case Management I CM 302 Case Management II CM 303 Case Management III	Emergency procedures	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, CM 301 Case Management I, CM 302 Case Management II, and CM 303 Case Management III, to include emergency procedures
29. (e)(1): “Record keeping, insurance billing and collection.”	MG 401 Clinical Management MG 402 Medical Ethics	Record keeping, insurance billing and collection	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, MG 401 Clinical Management, to include instruction in record keeping, insurance

			billing and collection
30. (e)(2): “Business written communications.”	MG 401 Clinical Management MG 402 Medical Ethics	Business written communications	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, MG 401 Clinical Management, to include business written communications
31. (e)(3): “Knowledge of regulatory compliance and jurisprudence (municipal, California, and federal laws, including OSHA, Labor Code, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA).”	MG 401 Clinical Management MG 402 Medical Ethics	Knowledge of regulatory compliance and jurisprudence (municipal, California, and federal laws, including OSHA, Labor Code, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA)	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, MG 402 Medical Ethics, to include a knowledge of the regulatory compliance and jurisprudence (municipal, California, and federal laws, including OSHA, Labor Code, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA)
32. (e)(4): “Front office procedures.”	MG 401 Clinical Management MG 402 Medical Ethics	Front office procedures	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the courses, MG 401 Clinical Management and MG 402 Medical Ethics, to include front office procedures
33. (e)(5): “Planning and establishing a professional office.”	MG 401 Clinical Management MG 402 Medical Ethics	Planning and establishing a professional office	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, MG 401 Clinical Management, to include instruction of planning and establishing a professional office
34. (e)(6): “Practice growth and development.”	MG 401 Clinical Management MG 402 Medical Ethics	Practice growth and development	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, MG 401 Clinical Management, to include the practice growth and development
35. (e)(7): “Ability to practice interdisciplinary medical settings including hospitals.”	MG 401 Clinical Management MG 402 Medical Ethics	Ability to practice in interdisciplinary medical settings including hospitals	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, MG 401 Clinical Management and MG 402 Medical Ethics, to include the ability to practice interdisciplinary

			medical settings, including hospitals
36. (g)(2): “Knowledge of academic peer review process.”	RM 101 Research of AOM	Knowledge of academic peer review process	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, RM 101 Research of AOM, to include knowledge of academic peer review process
37. (g)(3): “Knowledge of critique of research methods.”	RM 101 Research of AOM	Knowledge of critique of research methods	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, RM 101 Research of AOM, to include knowledge of critique of research methods
38. (g)(4): “History of medicine.”	RM 101 Research of AOM	History of medicine	Changes were made to the competencies covered in the course, RM 101 Research of AOM, to include history of medicine

PART IV: ALHAMBRA MEDICAL UNIVERSITY’S MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ACUPUNCTURE AND ORIENTAL MEDICINE CLINICAL NON-COMPLIANCE

The site visit team evaluated the clinic for compliance to ensure the curriculum requirements are reflected in the clinical training pursuant to CCR 1399.434.

Finding: Alhambra Medical University’s clinical practicum for intern training did not demonstrate sufficient application of Eastern and Western diagnostic procedures in evaluating patients.

California Acupuncture Board Training Program Clinical Requirement

CCR Section 1399.434(h)(2):

“Diagnosis and evaluation (minimum 275 hours) – the application of Eastern and Western diagnostic procedures in evaluating patients”

California Acupuncture Board Record Keeping Requirement

CCR Section 1399.453:

“An acupuncturist shall keep complete and accurate records on each patient who is given acupuncture treatment, including but not limited to, treatments given and progress made as a result of the acupuncture treatments.”

Department of Industrial Relations Worker's Compensation Requirement

Section 9785. Reporting Duties of the Primary Treating Physician:

“(h) When the primary treating physician determines that the employee's condition is permanent and stationary, the physician shall, unless good cause is shown, report within 20 days from the date of examination any findings concerning the existence and extent of permanent impairment and limitations and any need for continuing and/or future medical care resulting from the injury. The information may be submitted on the “Primary Treating Physician's Permanent and Stationary Report” form (DWC Form PR-3 or DWC Form PR-4) contained in section 9785.3 or section 9785.4, or in such other manner which provides all the information required by Title 8, California Code of Regulations, Section 10606. For permanent disability evaluation performed pursuant to the permanent disability evaluation schedule adopted on or after January 1, 2005, the primary treating physician's reports concerning the existence and extent of permanent impairment shall describe the impairment in accordance with the AMA Guides to the Evaluation on Permanent Impairment, 5th Edition (DWC Form PR-4). Qualified Medical Evaluators and Agreed Medical Evaluators may not use DWC Form PR-3 or DWC Form PR-4 to report medical-legal evaluations.”

Alhambra Medical University's Clinic

1. Eastern Assessments were not applied to patients on multiple medical charts:
 - a. Proposed Herbs/formulas were not listed on the medical charts. For teaching purposes, herbs/formulas should be discussed.
 - b. No pharmacological assessment was conducted when an herbal formula was prescribed. For teaching and safety, herb-drug interactions must be considered.
2. Patient's records were not accurate and complete:
 - a. Patient's records do not have page numbers.
3. The medical charts did not have a section for pain scale. However, when the pain scale was taken, it was not the two dimensional scale used in the California Worker's Compensation system. For worker's compensation, there must be four levels of severity and frequency of pain.

Training Program Corrective Action Taken

AMU submitted new medical charts to demonstrate corrective action of findings of clinical non-compliance found during the site visit. Upon review of the medical charts, AMU is in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(h)(2).

This action brings AMU in compliance with CCR Section 1399.434(h)(2).

SUMMARY

For the purposes of a training clinic, all of the above should be included in a patient medical chart with Differential Diagnosis/Assessment so that the intern learns all aspects of the training program.

PART V: PEER REVIEW RECOMMENDATION

1. Clinical reasoning and problem solving could be more emphasized to highlight the fundamentals of differential diagnosis during clinical training.

PART VI: CONCLUSION

“The board may deny, place on probation, suspend or revoke the approval granted to any acupuncture training program for any failure to comply with the regulations in this article, the Acupuncture Regulations or the Acupuncture Licensure Act”. CCR Section 1399.438 Suspension or Revocation of Approval

Alhambra Medical University is in full compliance with the Board's Regulations.