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## CHANGES IN STANDARDS AND UPDATES

### STANDARD FOR ATHLETIC TRAINING DEGREE AND IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE

As announced on May 20, 2015, the Strategic Alliance (BOC, CAATE, NATA and NATA Foundation) has determined that the professional degree for Athletic Training be a master's degree. Following this announcement, the CAATE Standards Committee drafted a proposal for the wording of the new Standard as well as the timeline for implementation of the Standard. The CAATE appreciates the input of all of those who participated in the open comment process and provided feedback to better guide the development of this Standard. Open comment feedback was reviewed, and changes were made accordingly, during the August Commission meeting. Please see the revised Standard and implementation timeline below. In addition to incorporating the feedback into the timeline for implementation, the CAATE updated the degree [FAQ page](#) on the website to further answer some of the questions received in the open comment process. Specific questions that are not addressed on the [FAQ page](#) should be directed to the CAATE office by emailing [support@caate.net](mailto:support@caate.net), or by calling 1-512-733-9700.

#### STANDARD 2:

CAATE accredited professional athletic training programs must result in the granting of a master's degree in Athletic Training. The program must be identified as an academic athletic training degree in institutional academic publications. The degree must appear on the official transcript similar to normal designations for other degrees at the institution.

#### TIMELINE FOR COMPLIANCE WITH STANDARD 2:

Baccalaureate programs may not admit, enroll, or matriculate students into the athletic training program after the start of the fall term 2022.

### REVISIONS TO STANDARD 23 FOR PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS

During the annual review of Standards for Professional Programs, the Standards Committee recommended clarification edits to Standard 23, which were subsequently approved by the Commission during the August meeting. Please see the previous and new language for this standard listed below;

### THE CAATE IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THE FIRST ANALYTICS REPORT PUBLICATION

The CAATE is pleased to announce the publication of the first *Analytics Report*. The report contains descriptive data collected from the 2013-2014 Annual Report, and provides details of all accredited programs from that time frame. The *Analytics Report* can be accessed [here](#).



changes have been italicized. The changes to Standard 23 will be implemented immediately. Questions about the edits can be directed to the CAATE office by emailing [support@caate.net](mailto:support@caate.net), or by calling 1-512-733-9700.

**PREVIOUS STANDARD 23:**

Clinical Education Coordinator: The Clinical Education Coordinator must be allowed release/reassigned workload to meet the institutional responsibilities for Clinical Education.

**NEW STANDARD 23:**

Clinical Education Coordinator: The Clinical Education Coordinator must be allowed release/reassigned workload to meet the institutional responsibilities for Clinical Education. *The Clinical Education Coordinator's release time must be comparable to similar health care programs in the institution. If no such similar program exists at the institution, then benchmark with peer institutions.*

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