



June 26, 2025

Abby Panozzo, CVT
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Dear Ms. Panozzo:

At its June 19-21, 2025, meeting, the AVMA Committee on Veterinary Technician Education and Activities (CVTEA) **granted continued full accreditation** to the Joliet Junior College veterinary technology program after deliberation of the report of evaluation from the December 4 – 5, 2024, site visit and post site visit response.

A final copy of the report of evaluation is included and available in the CVTEA Accreditation Portal by Armature (Armature). Included below is a summary of critical and major deficiencies with details regarding future reporting requirements. After consideration of the documentation provided, the Committee has determined that continued reporting is required on the following deficiencies (see chart(s) below):

Critical deficiency(ies): 1, 3, 4, 5 (noted below)

Major deficiency(ies): 1 (noted below)

The next report will be due Spring 2026 (April 15, 2026). A reminder will be sent out approximately 2 months prior to the due dates. The next full accreditation site visit is scheduled for 2030.

Per the *Policies and Procedures of the AVMA CVTEA*, documentation of progress toward compliance with critical and major deficiencies must be included in the program's report to CVTEA. Insufficient progress toward meeting deficiencies may be considered cause for change in the program's accreditation status.

If there are any changes that impact critical or major deficiencies that the CVTEA previously determined do not require continued reporting, the program must report this change.

Congratulations on maintaining accreditation. On behalf of the evaluation committee, thank you for the courtesy and hospitality shown during the site visit. If you have any questions, or if staff may be of assistance in the preparation of your next report, please do not hesitate to contact staff (Julie Horvath; jhorvath@avma.org).

Sincerely,

Brent Wooden, DVM, CVTEA Chair
AVMA Center for Veterinary Medical Accreditation

Joliet Junior College ROE 2024**CRITICAL DEFICIENCY (IES)**

Critical deficiencies apply to situations that clearly result in a program's inability to meet a Standard, and/or subject students, faculty, or others to unacceptable levels of risk. Documentation of significant progress toward compliance with each critical deficiency must be achieved by the time of the program's next report to CVTEA. Lack of compliance may be considered cause for a change in the program's accreditation status.

#	Critical Deficiency Description <i>It is critical that:</i>	Standard(s)	Deficiency status (Met, Unmet with continued reporting)
1.	The Program must have an advisory committee that meets at least annually and be used more fully to advise the Program.	3e	Unmet; submit advisory committee meeting minutes that demonstrates annual meeting and active program advisement
2.	The building project must be completed as planned to provide facilities more suitable to Program needs.	4a,4b	Met; 06/2025
3.	Open medications must be properly stored and labeled with date opened and date to be discarded.	4f	Unmet; submit videographic evidence that open medications are appropriately stored and labeled
4.	The Program must have an appropriately functioning institutional animal care and use committee (IACUC) with regards to voting and meeting method, recusal for any potential conflict of interest and evidence of quorum majority vote.	5a	Unmet; submit IACUC meeting minutes that document appropriate meeting methods, recusal for all conflicts of interest, and evidence of a quorum majority vote.
5.	The memorandum of understanding (MOU) with providers of resources critical to the Program must contain appropriate exit strategies.	5b,5e,10d	Unmet; submit 2 copies of enforce MOUs with appropriate exit strategy language

Joliet Junior College ROE 2024**MAJOR DEFICIENCY (IES)**

Major deficiencies apply to situations that jeopardize the ability of the program to meet a Standard. Progress toward meeting each major deficiency must be demonstrated on an annual or biennial basis. Documentation of steps taken toward compliance with major deficiencies is required. Lack of compliance within the assigned five- or six-year period, prior to the next scheduled complete evaluation, may be considered cause for a change in the program's accreditation status.

#	Major Deficiency Description <i>It is required that:</i>	Standard(s)	Deficiency status (Met, Unmet with continued reporting)
1.	IACUC approved animal care and use protocols must contain all information required by AWA guidelines including, but not limited to, the identification of the Principal Investigator.	5a	Unmet; submit 2 copies of IACUC approved animal use protocols that properly identify the Principal Investigator
2.	Program faculty must be sufficient to deliver the educational program and meet the educational goals of the program.	9a	Met; 06/2025