



APPEALS OF ACCREDITATION DECISIONS POLICY

1. In the event that the Director of a program that has received a Pending or Deferred decision wishes to appeal that decision, he/she must inform the NECPA Commission in writing within 60 days of notification of the decision. The notice must include the reason(s) why the program staff believes the decision to be in error and any supporting documentation.
2. Appeals will be reviewed both by the National Accreditation Council and the NECPA Commission. Either of these bodies may stipulate that another verification visit is required or that additional documentation is necessary, and their decision will be final.
3. The program will be notified of the final decision within 90 days of receipt of appeal.
4. If a Deferral decision is reversed, the program will be refunded any deferral fees paid. Expenses for re-verification visits will be the program's responsibility unless the NECPA Commission decides to waive those expenses.