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Dr. Bruce E. Jarrell  
Senior Vice President and  
Chief Academic and Research Officer  
University of Maryland Baltimore  
620 W. Lexington Street  
Baltimore, MD 21201

Dear Dr. Jarrell:

The Maryland Higher Education Commission has reviewed a request from the University of Maryland, Baltimore for the off-campus offering of the existing Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) at the Universities at Shady Grove (USG).

I am pleased to inform you that the off-campus location has been approved. This decision is based on an analysis of the program proposal in conjunction with the law and regulations governing academic program approval, in particular Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 13B.02.03. As required by COMAR, the Commission circulated the proposal to the Maryland higher education community for comment and objection. The program meets COMAR's requirements and demonstrates potential for success, an essential factor in making this decision.

For purposes of providing enrollment and degree data to the Commission, please use the following HEGIS and CIP codes:

<b>Program title</b>	<b>Award level</b>	<b>HEGIS</b>	<b>CIP</b>
Nursing Practice	D.N.P.	1203-02	51.3818

Should the program require any substantial changes in the future, please keep the Commission apprised. I wish you continued success.

Sincerely,

James D. Fielder, Jr., Ph.D.  
Secretary

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C: Ms. Theresa Hollander, Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, USM  
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