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May 1, 2026

Dr. Christopher Habben
Marriage and Family Therapy Program
Friends University - Kansas City (MS)

Dear Dr. Habben:

The Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE), at its April 13-14, 2026 meeting, reviewed the Response to Stipulations submitted by the Marriage and Family Therapy (MS) program at Friends University - Kansas City.

The Commission voted to accept the program's **Response to Stipulations** and to **remove** the following Stipulations:

Key Element II-D
Key Element III-E

The Commission's review of the program materials is below:

STANDARD II: PROGRAM LEADERSHIP, PROGRAM FACULTY, AND PROGRAM CLINICAL SUPERVISORS

Key Element II-D: Program Faculty Evaluation and Effectiveness

Program faculty which includes core faculty and non-core faculty members, meet the expectations of their institutional and program roles. The program reviews program faculty effectiveness and contributions to program quality.

- The program must have an established process for evaluation of the contributions and effectiveness of program faculty as appropriate to each individual faculty member's role.*
- The evaluation process must identify who directs the process, the evaluation methods and data used, timeline, and as needed, include a plan to support further development and enhanced effectiveness.*
- The program must demonstrate that it completes its program faculty evaluation and effectiveness review process and assures that the results of the evaluation are provided to each program faculty member.*

Commission's Response:

The program meets the requirements of this Key Element. The Stipulation is removed.

STANDARD III: CURRICULUM

Key Element III-E: Program Transparency and Informed Acknowledgement

The program demonstrates that the curriculum aligns with the educational and clinical practice requirements (e.g., coursework, clinical experience, and supervision) that satisfy the regulatory requirements for entry-level practice either in the state/province/location in which the program physically resides or in which the student intends to practice.

Programs must provide prospective and entering students information regarding the MFT profession's licensure and regulatory requirements as follows:

- The program demonstrates use of a policy and process to ensure that all students are informed of the MFT profession's general regulatory structure and that practice/licensure requirements, including qualifying degree requirements, may vary across state/provincial jurisdictions.*
- This information, along with resources for contacting state/provincial regulatory bodies, must be provided to students and acknowledged in writing, prior to beginning the program's course of study.*
- Programs that include teletherapy and/or virtual supervision as part of the clinical practice experience must have a policy on how the program ensures that such practices are compliant with relevant federal, state, or provincial regulatory requirements.*

Commission's Response:

The program meets the requirements of this Key Element. The Stipulation is removed.

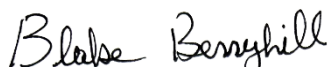
The program is accredited with no stipulations for the cycle of November 1, 2025 – November 1, 2032.

The following document must be submitted in the required format by the noted deadline:

| Document | Submission Deadline |
|---------------|---------------------|
| Annual Report | January 31, 2027 |

Please feel free to contact the Accreditation Office by email at coa@aamft.org or by phone at (703) 253-0448 if you have any further questions or would like additional information.

Sincerely,


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