## The National Accreditation & Equivalency Council of The Bahamas RND Plaza West John F. Kennedy Drive Nassau, The Bahamas

## **ACCREDITATION STEPS**

- **1.** Registered Institution submits 'LOI Package' (i.e. <u>Letter Of Intent</u>, <u>Report of Eligibility, Ownership Disclosure Form</u>, and <u>Copy of the Institution's Business License</u>)
- **2.** Institution receives communication from NAECOB acknowledging submission; Institution acknowledges receipt of communication and information involving next steps.
- **3.** On review of the <u>Report of Eligibility</u>, an Advisory Visit will be requested to validate the contents of the report. There after the institution will be advised on whether to begin the formal 'Application for Accreditation Candidacy' Process.
- **4.** The Institution is invited to begin 'Application for Accreditation Candidacy' Process.
- 5. The Institution's Accreditation Liaison Officer attends NAECOB's Accreditation Candidacy Workshops.
- **6.** The Institution submits completed 'Application for Accreditation Candidacy Form' along with the Accreditation Readiness Report and other accompanying documents.
- **7.** A decision is made on the *Applicant Institution's* submission as to whether *Accreditation Candidacy Status* has been granted, denied, or deferred by NAECOB.
- **8.** *Candidate Institution's* Accreditation Liaison Officer attends NAECOB's <u>'Self-Study Report'</u> workshops.
- **9.** *Candidate Institution* submits updated <u>Accreditation Readiness Report(s)</u> on a date determined by NAECOB.
- **10.** <u>Candidate Progress Visits</u> by NAECOB Committee are scheduled for *Candidate Institution* on dates determined by NAECOB.
- **11.** *Candidate Institution* invited to submit completed <u>'Self-Study Report'</u> along with accompanying documents.
- **12.** An On-Site Visit(s) by peer-review evaluators will be scheduled for the *Candidate Institution* on a date(s) determined by NAECOB.
- **13.** *Candidate Institution's* On-Site Visitation Report is completed by NAECOB and communicated to the institution.
- **14.** *Candidate Institution* prepares a formal response to the <u>Candidate Institution On-Site Visitation</u> <u>Report,</u> focusing primarily on compliance standards violations and other areas of concern, if any.
- **15.** A decision is made on the *Candidate Institution's* submission as to whether *Initial Accreditation Status* has been granted, denied, or deferred by NAECOB **after** the Self-Study Report, the <u>Candidate Institution's On-Site Team Visitation Report</u> and the <u>Candidate Institution's Response</u> are reviewed.
- **16.** Via meetings and workshops the newly **Accredited Institution** is informed about the expectations, periodic evaluations, visitations, and reports that will be scheduled on dates determined by NAECOB.