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Dear California Acupuncture Board Members:

This letter is to request that the Board place the "Transfer Credit Policy," memo of April 2, 2008 on immediate hold.

The memo indicates that if an individual took an Anatomy and Physiology class at the University of Toronto, we could not accept those credits, even though UC Berkeley would accept such credits. Therefore, we are confused as to why we could not. The memo also implies to us that if an individual took a year of TCM classes at Beijing University of TCM, we could not transfer in any of those credits. Yet, if someone graduates from Beijing University of TCM, that individual may take the CAB licensing exam.

The interpretation of transfer credits as stated in the April 2, 2008 memo would be devastating to our colleges.

For your information, there are many reputable evaluations services, such as ACCRAO, that maintain an updated list of credible foreign colleges/universities. ACCRAO (The American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers) is used throughout the USA by the regionally accredited colleges and universities. You may wish to google ACCRAO before the meeting and you will note that this non-profit organization is well recognized throughout the USA and lists foreign universities/colleges that are considered equivalent to those in the USA.

We would like to hold the discussion with the CAB on changing the interpretation so that it correlates with how higher education in the USA functions.

Thank you so much for considering this request.

Sincerely yours,

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