

BACKGROUND AND REQUEST

Mercy College of Northwest Ohio

RECOMMENDATION

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Profile: Mercy College of Northwest Ohio, located in Toledo, Ohio, is an independent institution affiliated with the Roman Catholic Church. Originally established in 1918 by the Sisters of Mercy, the college today serves over 1,000 students with a focus in healthcare and health science.

Accreditation/Authorization: Mercy College of Northwest Ohio is regionally accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and possesses specialized accreditation for several of its professional programs. The college has been authorized by the Chancellor since September 1992.

Program Offerings: Mercy College of Northwest Ohio is authorized to deliver associate and bachelor of science degrees in various allied health fields, as well as several certificate programs that lead to a professional credential.

Institutional Changes: Since the institution's last institutional reauthorization review, the college experienced a change in the presidency, added an off-site location in Youngstown, Ohio, and added new certificate programs and distance education delivery formats to better align resources with student, community, and industry needs.

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