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I.12 Continued accreditation

Continued accreditation status is granted to accredited programs that continue to demonstrate compliance with the *Standards* following a comprehensive review. Continued accreditation status carries with it terms and responsibilities, including the submission of statistical and biennial narrative reports and, when called for, special reports.

The COA schedules the next comprehensive review as part of its accreditation decision. For Continued accreditation, the next comprehensive review is normally scheduled seven years after the last comprehensive review, unless evidence or circumstance in the interim necessitates other action by COA.

I.12.1 Disclosure of accreditation status

As a public protection, including for prospective students, any reference to the program's ALA accreditation or display of the ALA Accreditation logo must include the following statement:

The [name of master's degree] program at [institution name] is accredited by the American Library Association Committee on Accreditation, with the status of Continued accreditation. The next comprehensive review visit is scheduled for [Spring or Fall yyyy].

Any program found to be misrepresenting its accreditation status through public statements or in documents will be notified by the ALA Office for Accreditation to take immediate corrective action. Failure to correct misrepresentation of the accreditation status can lead to adverse action.