

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**October 24 - 25, 2018 Commission Meeting**  
**Commission Actions**

The Commission on Massage Therapy Accreditation (COMTA) has concluded its October 24-25, 2018 Commission meeting in Arlington, VA. By action of the Commission, the following schools have received:

**Initial Accreditation**

- **Altura College** (Pullman, WA) – Institutional, October 2018–October 2025
- **Colorado School of Healing Arts** (Lakewood, CO) – Programmatic, October 2018–October 2022 (*Grant length reflects its full institutional accreditation grant length with ACCSC, per Dual Accreditation Joint Process agreement.*)

**Renewal of Accreditation**

- **Cayce/Reilly School of Massage** (Virginia Beach, VA) – Institutional, October 2018–October 2025
- **CenterPoint Massage and Shiatsu School & Clinic** (Minneapolis, MN) – Institutional, October 2018–October 2025
- **Northwestern Health Sciences University – Massage Therapy Program** (Minneapolis, MN) – Programmatic, October 2018–October 2025

**Probation:**

- **Academy of Natural Therapy** (Greeley, CO)  
*The Commission places the institution on Probation for failure to meet Standard XII(A) Financial Stability and Standard XV(A) Title IV Administration within the maximum timeframe allowed.*

**Continue Probation:**

- **Institute for Therapeutic Massage** (Haskell, Tinton Falls, Bloomfield, NJ)  
*The Commission continues the probation placed July 2017 for failure to demonstrate compliance with Standard XII(A) Financial Stability and Standard XV(A) Title IV Administration.*

**Remove Probation:**

- **Potomac Massage Therapy Institute** (Silver Spring, MD)  
*The Commission removes the probation for improved financial stability demonstrated on its most recent interim report.*

#### **Add Distance Education Interim Approval**

- **Community College of Baltimore County Massage Therapy Program** (Baltimore, MD)  
*The Commission grants interim approval to add Distance Learning to the existing AAS degree, pending a site visit within six months of the program start date.*

#### **Change of Location Approval**

- **Educating Hands** (Miami, FL)  
*The COMTA Executive Committee approved the Change of Location application, effective October 1, 2018, pending successful site visit within six months. The new location is now recorded as **111 NE 1<sup>st</sup> St., 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Miami, FL 33132.***

#### **Notification of Voluntary Withdrawal**

- **Moraine Valley Community College** (Palos Hills, IL)  
*Voluntary Withdrawal of Programmatic Accreditation, effective October 1, 2018.*

Please note: Renewal schools placed on show cause, probation or deferral are considered accredited institutions.

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