

Saba

Action for Consideration at September 2004 NCFMEA Meeting: Report

Initial Determination of Comparability: March 2003

Most Recent Review and Decision by NCFMEA: September 2003

The NCFMEA accepted the report submitted by Saba. It also requested that the country submit, at the September 2004 NCFMEA meeting, a report of its accreditation activities involving Saba University School of Medicine, including an overview of accreditation activities; a description of any changes to laws and regulations affecting the accreditation of Saba University School of Medicine; a description of any changes to standards, processes and procedures used to accredit Saba University School of Medicine; and a schedule of upcoming accreditation activities.

Number of medical schools operating in the country: 1

Number of schools in FFEL: 0*

Number of medical schools accredited in the country: 1

Students receiving FFEL: 0*

FFEL\$\$ 02- 03 academic year: 0

Brief description of the quality assurance system

Government Entity:

- Commissioner of Health and Education, Island Territory of Saba

Accrediting Entity:

- Accrediting Commission on Colleges of Medicine (ACCM) located in Dublin, Ireland, is charged by the Government of the Island Territory of Saba with ensuring that the Saba University School of Medicine meets standards comparable to medical schools in the United States; and ensuring that the Saba University School of Medicine is providing a quality and meaningful medical education. ACCM reports annually to the Commissioner of Health, Island Territory of Saba, regarding its activities with respect to the Saba University School of Medicine.

ACCM reviewers examine profile questionnaires, institutional self-studies, and also require a comprehensive on-site inspection of each medical school seeking accreditation or reaccreditation. The inspection includes the parent campus, all satellite health care facilities, and all sites where the college maintains an educational presence. ACCM maintains standards related to organizational structure, mission and goals, management, admissions processes, and academic requirements. Site team visits include interviews with executive, administrative personnel, and students to ascertain the medical school's compliance with agency standards. Site visits are conducted by agency Commissioners who possess specific qualifications for evaluation of medical schools. Accreditation is granted for six years; annual compliance surveys are required for the purpose of monitoring compliance.

* Financial student aid data does not disaggregate to program level (e.g., medical education). Therefore, the number of schools, number of students, and dollar amounts are institutional numbers. There is no disaggregation available to identify what portion of these numbers, if any, reflects medical education.