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Dear Colleague,

Your institution is among those that were granted a delay for your Accreditation Engagement Review in 2019–20. We’re now scheduling Engagement Reviews for delayed institutions and are offering you choices for the timing of the review and the protocol that will be used. Our CEO, Dr. Mark Elgart, shares information about the delay and your options in this short video.

You have options
During the next two years, Cognia™ will be developing new standards and protocol for accreditation, as we do in a recurring five-year cycle. You have the option of using current standards and protocol for your Engagement Review, or waiting to implement the new standards and protocol, which may be of high interest to you. Depending on which standards you prefer to use, you may choose from the following options for your Engagement Review:

- School year 2020–21, using current standards and protocol
- School year 2021–22, using current standards and protocol
- School year 2022–23, using new standards and protocol
- School year 2023–24, using new standards and protocol

If you choose to wait until the new standards and protocol are in place, they will be available for you in early 2021 to support your preparation. Opportunities for training on the new standards and protocol will be available prior to your review.

Note: Your state or district might have regulations that affect your accreditation renewal schedule.

Next steps
- To submit your choice, complete this online form by March 1, 2020. You may also copy this URL and paste into your browser: https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/6763ebedfb734e6ba76ca2ab325ec328
- If you have questions or concerns, please call Susie Eisa, Vice President of Engagement Services, at 480.773.6915.
- Shortly after you make your selection, a member of our Engagement Services team will contact you to confirm your selected timeframe and provide additional details.
- If we don’t receive your choice by March 1, we’ll notify you of a proposed timeframe.

We’re eager to assist you on your accreditation and continuous improvement journey.

With regards,

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