

CORRECTION: After sending out last week's ***Tipping Point***, we became aware of one program that belongs in the "Top 25" of our longest-accredited programs, but, due to our clerical error, was not included. It is as follows:

#4 Modesto Junior College (Modesto, CA) accredited for 53 years Shirley
Buzbee, PD

Congratulations to Shirley and to the program!

Below is your weekly ***Tipping Point*** from the MAERB office, which is being sent to all program directors of a CAAHEP-accredited program. Don't hesitate to contact your MAERB Program Manager if you have any questions:

Resource Assessment (RA):

The CAAHEP Standards require that every accredited program conduct an annual assessment of its resources. The completed Resource Assessment (RA) is eventually submitted to MAERB in conjunction with the submission of the program's online Annual Report Form (ARF).

The MAERB policy has determined that 17 different categories (both people and things) are to be evaluated each year. These 17 categories are listed on the Word template "Resource Assessment Form" that is posted on the MAERB website. There is a sample PDF Resource Assessment document also posted on the website, which many Program Directors (PD) find to be of great assistance to them. In addition, there is a March 2016 webinar on the topic of Assessing Resources that is posted on the Educators tab of the MAERB website.

When you upload your RA to the MAERB website each year, you are required to include in the header your school's name (along with city and state), as well as the time period of assessment for that particular RA. Your assessment should either be for a given calendar year, or an academic year.

You are not required to use MAERB's exact Word template, but your RA must include all 17 categories of resources and answers to all 6 columns within the RA grid. The only column that may be left blank is the final column. If you wish to combine 2 or more categories into 1 (such as combining "equipment" and "supplies" into a singular "equipment and supplies"), you may.

Programs should not submit an identical RA year after year. The 4th column of the RA Grid deals with "results." Your program should enter specific data in this column such as "18 out of the 20 faculty surveys for academic year 2020-2021 were positive, receiving a positive score of 3 or higher (out of 5) on every question within the survey."

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