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### **3.8 Accreditation Categories**

In making its accrediting decisions, the Commission may assign any of the following accreditation categories to a program:

- **Accreditation**, signifying that the program meets all FEPAC standards. This status may be awarded to programs seeking either initial or renewal of accreditation. The award of accreditation or re-accreditation is for a five-year period.
- **Conditional Accreditation**, signifying that the Commission has identified some weakness(es) in the program that the program must correct within a time frame specified by the Commission. The time frame may not exceed two years. This status may be assigned to programs seeking initial accreditation or to currently accredited programs.
- **Probation**, signifying that the Commission has determined that an accredited program fails to meet one or more of the standards and must take corrective action to come into compliance with the standard(s) within a time frame specified by the Commission. The time frame may not exceed two years.
- **Denial of Accreditation**, signifying that the Commission has determined that the program does not meet the standards. This status may be assigned only to programs seeking initial accreditation.
- **Revocation of Accreditation**, signifying that the Commission has determined that the program does not substantially meet the standards. This status may be assigned only to accredited programs that are seeking renewal of accreditation or that have been determined, as the result of a complaint, the review of an Annual Report, or some other action during a period of accreditation, to be in substantial noncompliance with the standards.