## Joint Statement

## New England Commission of Higher Education and Lincoln Educational Services, Inc.

At its meeting on September 20, 2018, the New England Commission of Higher Education accepted an update from Lincoln College of New England. The College was placed on probation by the Commission in June 2018 and subsequently decided to cease operations on December 31, 2018. The Commission voted to continue the College's accreditation through June 1, 2019 with the understanding that the sole purpose will be the awarding of Lincoln College of New England degrees to students who complete their programs by that date.

Goodwin College in East Hartford, CT, is a teach-out partner, offering many of the same programs as have been offered at Lincoln College of New England. Goodwin College is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education. Students interested in transferring to Goodwin College should call (860) 528-4111.

Students interested in receiving a copy of their transcript from Lincoln College of New England should call (855) 386-2285.

The New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE) previously operated as the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC). NECHE is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education as a reliable authority as to the quality of education. The Commission accredits 224 degree-granting institutions in the six New England states and eleven American-style institutions in other countries.

Lincoln College of New England, located in Southington, CT, has offered associate's and bachelor's degrees. Formerly operating as Briarwood College and as Clemens College, the institution has been accredited by the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education since 2006 and from 1982 to 2006 by NEASC's former Commission on Technical and Career Institutions. Lincoln College of New England is owned by Lincoln Educational Services Corporation.

Further information is available from:

New England Commission of Higher Education: <a href="https://www.neche.org">www.neche.org</a>

Lincoln College of New England: <a href="https://www.lincolncollegene.edu/">https://www.lincolncollegene.edu/</a>