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RE: Colorado State University – Third-Party Comments

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The Higher Learning Commission (HLC) did not receive any third-party comments regarding Colorado State University in preparation for the Open Pathway comprehensive evaluation for reaffirmation of accreditation scheduled to start on September 18, 2023.

An institution is not required to actively solicit or publish notices related to third-party comments prior to an evaluation, and we do not expect you to infer from the lack of comments that there are any deficiencies in the institution's engagement with its external constituencies. Instead, the team may find it helpful to review the regular processes the institution has in place to receive feedback from its constituencies.

Should you have any questions regarding the process for third-party comments, please contact HLC's Legal and Regulatory Affairs at [legalaffairs@hlcommission.org](mailto:legalaffairs@hlcommission.org).