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### **WCUI School of Medical Imaging and Nursing Appoints New Lab Director in Arizona**

PHOENIX, Arizona –On April 13, 2020, WCUI School of Medical Imaging and Nursing (WCUI) announced the promotion of Laurie Bentson to the newly created position of Lab Director for the Phoenix campus. An esteemed and highly experienced sonographer, Laurie will oversee the operations of the lab experience for all modalities of medical imaging of the school on campus and online.

“Since joining our team this past fall, Laurie has demonstrated a continuous and relentless interest in improving the student experience, by enriching their opportunities to hone their critical thinking skills in the labs and providing an outstanding education to the students,” Director of Education Maria Walters said. “We feel very lucky to have her accept this position and look forward to collaborating in shaping the new future of WCUI education.”

Laurie comes to WCUI with a wealth of professional experience both in the medical imaging and educational arenas. With over 20 years as a sonographer, she was promoted to positions of increasing responsibility culminating in her role as a Senior Manager in Medical Imaging at two of the larger Banner facilities. In this role she was responsible for staff development, quality outcomes and operations for several different modalities to include Interventional Radiology, CT, MRI, Nuclear Medicine, Breast Imaging as well as Ultrasound.

Laurie holds a Master's degree in Healthcare Administration and has extensive experience in the educational field as a vascular sonography lab instructor for Gateway CC. There she also taught weekend seminars to prepare the students to take their RVT registry.

**About the College:** WCUI is a private post-secondary institute headquartered in Los Angeles, CA with branch campuses in Ontario, CA and Phoenix, AZ. In Summer 2020, after 10 years in Phoenix, the campus will move to Park Central in Midtown Phoenix. The college offers both Bachelor and Academic Associate of Science degrees in Diagnostic Medical Sonography, Cardiovascular Sonography, and offers Academic Associate of Science Degrees in Magnetic Resonance Imaging. It also offers diplomas in Vocational Nursing in California, Practical Nursing in Arizona, and advanced diplomas in Pediatric Cardiac Ultrasound and Congenital Heart Disease to graduates of a Cardiovascular program.

WCUI is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Career Schools and Colleges (ACCSC), and approved by the Department of Education, Veterans Administration, and the Arizona Board for Private Postsecondary Education (AZPPSE). Graduates of nursing programs are eligible to take the NCLEX-PN exam upon completion of their nursing diploma programs. Graduates of all programs in medical imaging have multiple pathways to registry including American Registry for Diagnostic Medical Sonography (ARDMS), Cardiovascular Credentialing International (CCI), American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT), and programmatically approved by the American Registry of Magnetic Resonance Imaging Technologists (ARMRIT).

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