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Re-Opening Social-Distancing Practice/Plans

We the Academy of Allied Health sciences are still operating on a limited basis providing educational services and CWEP activities to clients with and without resources such as laptops, smart phones and tablets. We are open four days a week for clients without distance learning resources to pick up and drop off assignments with limited success as many of these clients are reluctant to travel. We plan to completely reopen to public and be fully operational starting 07.06.2020. We have sufficient space for clients to maintain social distancing and participate in class activities without compromising the disease transmission protocols set forth by the CDC.

We are already providing virtual learning through Google Classroom to some clients and will continue to do so, with in class training resuming on Monday the 6th of July. We have G suite for education and will be utilizing Google Classroom. We have state approval and are listed as such on NJ Topps.

Virtual lessons will be recorded and shared with the clients who are unable to attend, as we are a Healthcare training facility, all our programs except billing and coding will require some form of hands on training, so will offer virtual learning M-F for 6 hours each day from 9 am to 3 pm with a one hour lunch break after which the students will be given assignments Which will be reviewed the next day. Pick up days and drop off days for training packets Monday Tuesday between 9 am-4 pm and the same on Thursday and Friday. We plan to close on Wednesdays for a thorough cleaning and disinfection of the premises but our virtual training will be available.

Client safety for those who will return to class:

All students and staff will be provided gloves, gowns and masks along with all employees. We have in stock all the required safety PPE and stations for hand washing and sanitizing. We are a Health care training facility and are used to PPE protocols.

Our instructor to client ratio was 1: 10 before the pandemic and will be halved to 5: 1 when classes resume at our physical location, we are also implementing a staggered system of training to increase physical distancing without compromising the need for hands on training. Our classes vary in size, our Patient care tech and medical assisting classrooms which can usually seat 25 students will now be only accommodating 10, providing more than six feet of space between clients. The rest of the classrooms will be limited to just 5 clients. We will display six feet apart signage in our entire facility including classrooms, student lounge, labs and walkways

We will be undertaking the following measures, at a minimum as per state guidelines.

I. INFECTION CONTROL

Perform health screenings for faculty, staff, students, and visitors. We will not admit staff or students into the facility who feel sick or exhibit symptoms common to COVID-19, including fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, and diarrhea. Send home immediately any staff or students who begin to feel sick or exhibit symptoms common to COVID-19 and will follow recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to determine when those individuals may return to classes.

II. PHYSICAL DISTANCING

- Will Enforce social distancing in classrooms, workstations, laboratories, clinical settings, and student seating areas through the school.
- Provide for smaller class sizes, and space desks and student seating areas throughout the facility six feet apart where feasible.
- Consider staggering start, break, and end of class periods, or alternating scheduled class days to reduce crowding at facility and classroom entryways.

III. CLOTH FACE COVERINGS

- Require all faculty, staff, students, and visitors to wear cloth face coverings except where doing so would inhibit the individual's health.
- Provide information to staff and students on proper use, removal, and washing of cloth face coverings.

IV. CLEANING AND DISINFECTION

- Clean and disinfect classrooms and common areas after each usage.
- Disinfect high-touch areas like desktops, light switches, doorknobs, etc. periodically throughout the day.
- Provide top-to-bottom cleaning of the facility at least daily.

V. HAND HYGIENE

- Maintain adequate equipment and supplies for staff and students to wash and sanitize hands periodically.
- Place stations with hand sanitizer with 60 percent or more alcohol content at all facility entry points and throughout the facility.
- Provide students and staff adequate break time to wash hands regularly.

VI. EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- Provide training for students regarding COVID-19, including topic such as sanitization, hand hygiene, and social distancing practices and protocols as a condition for resuming in-person instruction.
- Provide training for faculty and staff on appropriate sanitization, hygiene and social distancing standards, and regarding the schools restart plan protocols.
- Display CDC hand hygiene posters and other “How to Protect Yourself and Others” materials in English, Spanish, and other languages as needed.

VII. VENTILATION

- Consider methods to get fresh air to individuals and properly utilize ventilation system. Some ways to do so include:

Maximizing fresh air through your ventilation system.

Maintaining relative humidity at 40 to 60 percent.

Considering the use of portable HEPA filtration units.

VIII. COLLABORATION WITH HEALTH OFFICIALS

- Collaborate with local and State officials, including local health departments and local office of emergency management to share reopening plans and revise those plans as necessary.
- Establish testing guidance and contact tracing protocols in consultation with local health officials and in line with existing State and federal health privacy statutes and regulations, at minimum, such protocols should include a mechanism to maintain a log of students, faculty, staff, and visitors to facilitate contact tracing and the reporting of any instances of COVID-19 to local health officials.

Please respond back if you have any questions or concerns regarding our planned Re-opening with COVID-19 protocols in place.

Yours Sincerely,



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