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RE: **COVID19 – MITAGS WEST CAMPUS**

As of MARCH 12, MITAGS West remains open and operating at normal capacity.

Currently, there are NO confirmed cases of COVID19 at MITAGS WEST campus.

We are following the guidelines as set forth by Washington State and Seattle - King County Departments of Health and the Local Public Health Officer Order, dated March 11, 2020. We reemphasize the following common-sense practices used against the spread of the flu, such as covering coughs and sneezes, washing hands often, and limiting person-to-person contact.

In addition to these strategies, **effective immediately**, we are implementing new operating guidelines as recommended by CDC and King County Public Health. These include:

1. Older adults and individuals with underlying medical conditions who are at increased risk of serious COVID 19 are encouraged not to attend (this includes staff/employees).
2. Screening of all persons entering MITAGS West for coronavirus symptoms and excluded from the school if symptomatic.
3. Social distancing recommendations, including providing 6 feet of space between desks in classrooms.
4. For spaces such as the simulator, where social distancing is limited due to physical configuration of the space, MITAGS West will provide Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), consisting of face masks and gloves for students and staff.
5. Providing multiple hand sanitizing stations throughout the facility.
6. Following the environmental cleaning guidelines as provided by the CDC (e.g., clean and disinfect high touch surfaces at least daily if not more frequently).

SCREENING QUESTIONS:

Upon entry into the building, you will be asked the following screening questions:

1. Have you experienced a fever (100.00 degrees or higher) within the last 24 hours?
2. Have you experienced any shortness of breath, cough or symptoms of acute respiratory illness in the last 24 hours?
3. Have you travelled within the past 14 days to countries with widespread transmission of COVID 19 as noted on the CDC website such as China, South Korea, Japan, Iran or Italy?
4. Have you had contact with or helped care for, anyone suspected or diagnosis with COVID 19, or who is currently subject to health monitoring for possible exposure to COVID 19?

We will continue to provide updates as the situation evolves. We understand this situation changes daily and we are constantly monitoring the guidance and recommendations of the CDC, Seattle -King County Public Health, as well as following the advice of our medical director, Dr. Ann Jarris, Discovery Health.

The safety and health of our students and staff is our foremost priority.

Thank you

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