

# Mississippi Commission on

### Proprietary Schools and College Registration

3825 Ridgewood Road Jackson, MS 39211 (601) 432-6185

March 16, 2020

In light of uncertainties surrounding the spread and impact of the coronavirus (COVID-19), CPSCR requests that schools provide an update via email **when the school determines** that a change in the delivery of vocational programs is warranted for their students.

#### Should a school need to suspend classes, please provide the following:

- 1. Effective date with an estimate of how long classes will be suspended and when the school will re-evaluate.
- 2. A copy of the notification to students, including the effective date and how the school will communicate the start of classes post-emergency.
- 3. How the missed time will be made up (e.g., increase the length of term; increase time/day over the period of the remainder of the term, etc.).
- 4. The school's plan for providing any information due to the Commission during the suspended term of instruction (i.e., reporting, self-evaluation report, etc.).

#### Disruption of Clinical, Practicum, or Externship Experiences

If a clinical, practicum or externship experience is impacted, please provide the following:

- 1. Expected timeline for the suspended term of instruction, including re-evaluation of suspension.
- 2. A copy of the school's plan to make up time and/or options for students. Options may include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - a. Clinical Simulations if available (per programmatic accreditor's acceptance or recommendation);
  - b. The rescheduling of the experience after the classes return to normal; and
  - c. Options to move students to sites that are still available and willing to accept students, even with reduced procedures.

## Extended Absences for Students Should a school have students who need to self-quarantine or need time for recovery, please provide the following:

- 1. A copy of the school's plan to accommodate students who may be unable to attend classes due to exposure to COVID-19 or illness from the virus, including Leave of Absence and/or waiver of the attendance policy.
- 2. How the school will assist students in returning to classes to make up the work missed.