

Thursday, April 10, 2020

NEW POLICIES-PROTOCOLS

Three new protocols were uploaded into the *WebCampus* Training Courses (April 2020 update). Please review and complete no later than April 17, 2020. All faculty, staff, students-residents MUST complete this prior to returning to campus.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

For any faculty, staff, students/residents who seek professional development while we are social distancing, a module has been created in the *WebCampus* training courses, entitled "Training Opportunities." Feel free to explore the opportunities. Also if you have a contribution, please send me an email with the information and I will gladly post.

DENTAL ADMINISTRATION UPDATE MEETINGS (WEEK APRIL 13, 2020)

- Faculty Council – 30 minutes
- Faculty – 45 minutes
- DS4 Leadership – 30 minutes
- Student Government and Class Leadership – 30 minutes

SUMMER 2020 CURRICULUM SCHEDULE

The 2020 summer curriculum schedule in the Google Drive. While we hope that minimal changes will be required, we must anticipate changes will occur as COVID-19 continues to unfold. The first half of the semester (Weeks 1 through 7) will be taught remotely. While a course is slotted for specific times/days, faculty may choose to post earlier in the week. The lectures may be live through WebEX (recorded and posted for later viewing), pre-recorded lecture capture, or voice narration on PowerPoint. Faculty are also required to hold virtual office hours weekly. This can be accomplished through a live virtual web meeting, online chats, or by appointment one-on-one phone or skype calls. Faculty will post in their syllabi the time/day and type of office hours.

ROOT CAMP

Root Camp will be scheduled on 3 Saturdays (May 16th, May 30th, June 6th). Eighteen (18) students, 2 faculty will be scheduled for each daylong session. Students will be notified by Drs. Lemon and Barborka as to the date they will be scheduled. Students will be expected to follow all policies and procedures outlined for clinical simulation center.

CLINICAL SIMULATION LAB

The decision was made to extend hours to allow students to practice because the clinical simulation lab is going to be utilized to its capacity. Please note that hours will not begin until the campus opens (estimated week 8 of summer semester). At this time, hours will be extended until 12am (midnight) Monday through Friday, and 8am to 6pm Saturday and Sunday. Staff will be available during these extended hours.

BOARD OF REGENT BUDGET MEETING

The Nevada System of Higher Education met today regarding Emergency Directive 006, issued by the State of Nevada Executive Department. During the meeting, Chancellor Thom Reilly and Chief Financial Officer Andrew Clinger presented proposals on how NSHE institutions and System Administration will comply

with a request from the Office of Governor on April 3, 2020, to enact a 4% cut from the budget for fiscal year 2020 and up to a 14% cut from the budget for fiscal year 2021. Proposals from NSHE must be submitted to the Office of the Government by April 13, 2020. The Board voted to approve the following: Approve the budget reduction plans presented for a 4% budget reduction for FY2020, and plans for one of the following: 6%, 10% or 14% budget reduction for FY2021.

EAST PARKING LOT CONSTRUCTION

The Shadow Lane Campus Parking Construction Project begins on Monday, April 13, 2020. Maps showing the full scope of this parking construction project are included in Google Drive. This project will greatly inconvenience our patients, dental students, residents, faculty and staff. However, when completed this will increase parking availability to the campus. Please note that this is a University construction project not a dental school project. The dental school was able to voice their concerns regarding this project which delayed the project by a week. In doing so the school was able to obtain some concessions from the project manager which resulted in the dental school being able to maintain the runabout for patient drop off and emergencies and paratransit drive through. Designated parking for patients is on the Westside of Building D. The scheduled completion date of this project is July 5, 2020. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. Your tolerance, and understanding is appreciated.

WEEKEND

The campus will be closed this weekend. We want to thank you for your patience and compliance as we work through these extraordinary circumstances together. Our top priority is to protect the health and well-being of our students, staff, and faculty. These are challenging times and we understand that the COVID-19 pandemic has changed how we live, both professionally and personally. Resilience is a difficult concept to teach, but the resiliency you learn and display throughout this ordeal has been remarkable.