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## ANATP/BNATP Monthly Update February 2021

- 1. The new Master Schedule for 2021-2022 has been uploaded. The schedule for the ANATPs and the BNATPs is the same. Note that the requirement for including the Medicare provider number for clinical sites has been rescinded and that field has been removed from the schedule. If your program dates carry over into another schedule, just note it on page 1 in the notes section. For example, if you have a course that beings January 2021 and ends in June 2021, you will not find June 2021 on the same schedule. Just note the dates briefly on page 1 rather than completing two different schedules for one class.
- 2. The Temporary Nursing Assistant (TNA) program was only extended through January 18, 2021. After that date, TNAs cannot continue to work in a patient-care role unless they enroll in a BNATP within 90 days and must complete the BNATP within 240 days. If they enroll in a BNATP and pass the certification exam within these time frames, they are able to continue working as nursing assistants. *The time frames are a change to existing rules that apply only to former TNAs.*
- Cluster scores from 2016 to present are online. You can search for cluster scores by program code. The link to the scores is: <u>https://nurseaidetesting.com/?s=cluster+scores</u>
- 4. Skills demonstrations for recertification of CNAs do not have to be done in a facility or on a patient/resident. They can be done in the lab setting.
- 5. All programs are allowed to continue with hybrid (online) instruction through May 31, 2021. If the class starts before that date, it will be allowed to be completed in that format regardless of the end date of the course.
- 6. Please note that for RNs with a BSN or higher who choose not to take a Train the Trainer program, four CEUs in dementia must be submitted with the application form for an instructor code. Nurses who apply for an instructor code without a Train the Trainer course and without current affiliation (employment) with a BNATP or ANATP will be denied approval. I have had requests from multiple RNs who are seeking to improve their resumes by requesting instructor approval,



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but who are not currently teaching and have no immediate future plans to teach. Nurses with Train the Trainer certificates may continue to apply for instructor codes independently of a BNATP or ANATP.

As always, do not hesitate to call or email with questions.

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