SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE

SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES AND PUBLIC SERVICE

NEURODIAGNOSTIC TECHNICIAN PROGRAM

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

FRIDAY, January 22, 2021

2:15 PM, Zoom

**MEMBERS PRESENT FACULTY /STAFF PRESENT**

Dr. Gregory Sahagian, The Neurology Center Tina Recalde, SD Mesa College

Dr. Abraham Chyung, Scripps Hospital Cindy Purnell, SD Mesa College

Erica Cox, Community Member Christine Balderas, SD Mesa College

Shilpa Dayal, Scripps Hospital Jill Chagnon, SD Mesa College

Lori Pichette, Sharp Memorial

1. **CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS:**
   1. Meeting called to order @ 2:15
   2. Introductions were made.
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES: N/A**
3. **NDTE PROGRAM STATUS**
   1. Curriculum changes
      1. Program Length Change from a 22 month AS Degree to a 12-month certificate of achievement.
      2. All industry advisory members voted “Yes” to virtual vote regarding decreasing the length of the NDTE program to 1 year to improve responsiveness to current industry demands.
   2. New Program Overview – See Below
   3. Application to become ABRET recognized program
      1. Tina discussed the reason for changing the program to a 12 month Certificate of Achievement. Due to district budget changes, COVID-19 restrictions and staffing resources, seeking CAAHEP Accreditation with a Fall 2021 start was going to be difficult.
      2. ABRET Pathway II allows the 12-month program to apply to ensure graduates are eligible to sit for their boards to become registered EEG Techs.
      3. SD Mesa will plan Fall 2021 once these changes have been approved by the Region and NDTE program staffing has been confirmed.
      4. If everything is approved, applications will open May 2021.
      5. Tina advised Dr. Sahagian these changes are for our current environment. The curriculum is written and approved to pursue CAAHEP accreditation and re visit AS Degree in the future. Also adding more specialties to the programs outlay.
4. Program Staffing & Resources
   1. Position offers have been made and we are pending acceptance for part time clinical coordinator and a part time program director.
   2. Tina reviewed the roles for each position with the group.
5. Lab Site Resources to allow for offsite labs
   * 1. Discussed how this would work with a smaller cohort in having labs offsite.
   1. Dr. Sahagian has offered his facilities & equipment
6. Cohort Size
   1. Initial cohort will be 12-15 students given the limited number of registered techs in the SD area.
   2. Changes and updates will be made available on the NDTE Website and also social media blasts to make sure the public is aware when they can apply.
7. Clinical Sites
   1. The Neurology Center
   2. Scripps Hospital
   3. Sharp Memorial
   4. Tri City Medical Center
   5. Rady Children’s Hospital
      1. Final review of sites and noting totals for actual registered techs will be reviewed and shared at a later time.
8. **NEXT MEETING:**
   1. Once all changes are approved, we will arrange a smaller meeting with Dr. Sahagian and other affiliates to update on the status.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 3:00pm.

New Curriculum:

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| **Neurodiagnostic Technology**  **Certificate of Achievement** |
| **Fall 2021 – 9.5 units** |
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| MEDA 115 – Pathophysiology (3 units) |
| HEIT 130 – Basic Pharmacology (1 unit) |
| NDTE 101 – Basic EEG (5 units) – 12 weeks |
| NDTE 121 – Neurodx Lab Practice (0.5 units) |
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| **Intersession 2021 – 2 units** |
| NDTE 140 – Clinical Experience 1 (2 units) |
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| **Spring 2021 – 14.5 units** |
| NDTE 131 – Advanced EEG (4 units) |
| NDTE 133 – Neuro A&P (3 units) |
| NDTE 135 – EEG Review (2.5 units) |
| NDTE 150 – Clinical Experience II (2 units) |
| NDTE 250 – Clinical Experience III (3 units) |
| **Summer 2021 – 6 units** |
| NDTE 203 – Neuro Disorders (3 units)  NDTE 260 – Clinical Experience IV (3 units) |