## **Professional Education Services, Inc.**

## **Standards Regarding Response to COVID 19**

## **TACT – Therapeutic Alternatives in Crisis Training**

March 20, 2020

As our nation continues to address and provide guidelines for COVID 19, we here at PES, Inc. would also like to address issues pertaining to our training curriculum.

We will follow the current CDC directive of maintaining personal distancing (6-8 ft.) and small groups of 10 or less. Sanitary requirements during any/all training sessions: Frequent hand washing, use of sanitary wipes and hand sanitizer. States that have mandated shelter-in-place guidelines will discontinue all training until further notice.

Physical training is not recommended during this time and will be assessed on 30-day increments effective immediately.

PES, Inc. has postponed all TACT "Train the Trainer" Workshops until June 2020. Current trainers seeking recertification will be provided with 90-day extensions until training can be made available. Notification will be provided by email.

Trainers can extend current staff recertification in 30-day increments until full certification/recertification can be provided. New employees/trainees that cannot provide full physical competencies through demonstration will receive "certification with limitations". This means that they will not be allowed to provide hands-on interventions but are still permitted to provide services and care. They can reach full certification once physical procedures can be performed and demonstrated.

Governing bodies: JCAHO, CMS, ACHA, CARF, DOE will provide directive regarding modifying current standards for these types of required trainings.

Lastly, we would like to express to all providers and healthcare workers. We truly appreciate your dedication and advocacy during this difficult time. Please stay safe, healthy, and kind.

Best Regards,

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