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## UPDATED TESTING PROTOCOLS

D&SDT-HEADMASTER would like nurse aide testing to continue but also increase efforts in **social distancing, hand washing, screening, and cleaning between students.**

**Effective immediately, all candidates and test team members are required to wear a face covering as recommended by the CDC at all test events.**

Candidates and test team members must bring their own masks, they will not be provided by the testing sites. Here is a link to the CDC on how to make a face covering:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html>

There may be times; however, that the actor will have to remove his or her mask. If a skill task requiring the actor's face or mouth is needed, removal of the mask is allowed in order for the candidates to properly perform the skill.

D&SDT-HEADMASTER continues to require that all testing teams take each candidate's **temperature** as part of the screening process and **anyone with a temperature of 100.4 degrees or higher should be turned away from testing.** If the candidate does not have a fever, the RN test observer will ask the following questions to testing candidates as they arrive at the test event:

1. Have you been exposed to someone who has tested positive to COVID-19 in the past 14 days?
2. Have you traveled outside of the US within the last 14 days?
3. Have you felt unwell with a fever or coughing in the past 14 days?

If any candidate answers yes to any of the above questions, they should be turned away from testing and a note should be made on the irregularities.

The candidate will be given a free reschedule, and they should self report their exposure or symptoms to their local health department.

Please do not hesitate to contact myself with any questions or concerns.

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