



CAATE

Commission on Accreditation
of Athletic Training Education

2020 Professional Standards Updates- approved October 2020

The Commission has approved the following updates to the 2020 Professional Standards. The changes are summarized below, and questions about any of the changes can be directed to the CAATE Office.

Standard 8 **Planned interprofessional education is incorporated within the professional program.**

Standard: removed the word "planned." Approved by Commission on October 16, 2020.

Standard 16 **The clinical education component is planned to includes at least one athletic training immersive clinical experience.**

Standard: removed the words "is planned to" Approved by Commission on October 16, 2020.

Standard 17 **A program's clinical education component is planned to includes clinical practice opportunities with varied client/patient populations. Populations must include clients/patients**

Standard: removed the word "is planned to" Approved by Commission on October 16, 2020.

Standard 26

How to Address This Standard

- ~~Describe how the program ensures each policy and procedure that meets Standards 26A through 26K is accessible to students in the program.~~
- Describe how the program ensures that all learning environments where students are involved in real or simulated client/patient care (including teaching laboratories) have policies and procedures that meet Standards 26a through 26k and that these policies and procedures are accessible to students in the program.
- ~~Describe how the program implements each policy and procedure that meets Standards 26A through 26K and how the program ensures each one is being met.~~
- Provide a narrative of how the program ensures that each site's policies and procedures that meet Standard 26A-26K satisfy a standard of quality established by the program.
- ~~Describe how the policy and procedures that meet Standards 26A through 26K were developed and the resources (i.e., national, state, institutional) used to develop the policy and procedure.~~

How to Address This Standards: deleted bullets "Describe how the program ensures each policy and procedure that meets Standards 26A through 26K is accessible to students in the program"; "Describe how the program implements each policy and procedure that meets Standards 26A through 26K and how the program ensures each one is being met"; "Describe how the policy and procedures that meets Standards 26A through 26K were developed and the resources (i.e., national, state, institutional) used to develop the policy and procedure" and added "Describe how the program ensures that all learning environments where students are involved in real or simulated client/patient care (including teaching laboratories) have policies and procedures that meet Standards 26A through 26K and that these policies and procedures are accessible to students in the program" and "Provide a narrative of how the program ensures that each site's policies and procedures that meet Standard 24A-26K satisfy a standard or quality established by the program" Approved by Commission on October 16, 2020.

Glossary Terms:

Supervision: Supervision occurs along a developmental continuum that allows a student to move from interdependence to independence based on the student's knowledge and skills as well as the context of care. Supervision must occur in compliance with all local, state, and federal laws. For in-person patient/client care, preceptors must be on-site and have the ability to intervene on behalf of the athletic training student and the patient. If the patient/client care is occurring via telehealth or telemedicine, the preceptor must concurrently monitor the patient/client care through appropriate telecommunication technology.

Added last sentence 'If the patient/client care is occurring via telehealth or telemedicine, the preceptor must concurrently monitor the patient/client care through appropriate telecommunication technology' to the definition; approved by Commission on October 16, 2020.

Telehealth: Telehealth is an umbrella term that encompasses the use of telecommunication technology for non-clinical health-related purposes. Some uses of telehealth include enhancing and supporting clinical services and providing individual or public health education

Definition added; approved by Commission on October 16, 2020.

Telemedicine: Telemedicine involves the delivery of patient/client care remotely using appropriate information and communication technologies. Patient/client care provided via telemedicine must occur in compliance with all local, state, and federal laws.

Definition added; approved by Commission on October 16, 2020.