



**July 2020 Round Table Discussion Resources
Maintaining Safety and Quality When Re-Opening Labs:
Issues to Consider During a Pandemic
For Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting Educational Programs**

The following list of resources is designed to assist programs when preparing to safely return to campus during the COVID-19 health crisis. Information provided within this list is subject to change in accordance with guidance and recommendations issued by federal, state, and local public health and government officials.

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Thank you for your continued commitment to your students' education, health and safety!

Resources for Updates on Current Situation		
In addition to the resources provided, it is important to also check with your local government and health department about policies that may affect your program.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Coronavirus.gov ✦ CDC: Coronavirus (COVID-19) ✦ FEMA: COVID-19 Response ✦ White House: Opening Up America Again 	
Higher Education Planning Tools		
	✦ OpenSmartEdu	
Online Training & Videos		
	✦ Lab Cleaning Demo	Video created by WSU Tech to demonstrate steps of the cleaning process.
	✦ COVID-19 Partner Update Call July 13, 2020: Considerations on Keeping Students Safe for Fall	Updates on CDC's COVID-19 response, including testing considerations for Institutes of Higher Education.
	✦ Donning a Sterile Gown	Video created by Calhoun Community College as a visual aid for students learning to gown.

	✦ Performing a Surgical Hand Scrub	Video created by Calhoun Community College as a visual aid for students learning a surgical scrub.
	✦ Prepping the Patient	Video created by WSU Tech as a visual aid for students learning surgical site prep.
	✦ Returning to Campus Training Assessment	Free online assessment available to train staff and instructors at schools as they transition back to campus.
	✦ Urinary Catheterization	Video created by WSU Tech as a visual aid for students learning urinary catheterization.
Articles		
	✦ Considerations for Reopening Institutions of Higher Education in the COVID-19 Era	

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