



ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS

This newsletter is dedicated to instructors, administration, and providers of Allied Health. As always, if you have any questions concerning anything in this edition of the Platinum Pulse, feel free to reach out to us anytime by [Clicking Here](#) and a Platinum rep will contact you shortly.

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Going back to School?

Students going back to school this year will be different due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic. Some schools will reopen, some will remain closed. Some students may return to the classroom. Others may use virtual online learning methods or a combination of online and in-person courses. Regardless of what you will be doing, we have resources to help! We can assist educators to keep track of all their competency tracking, student scheduling, as well as compliance reporting. We can help make improvements that better your program efficiency and help your students!

To all you educators out there—thank you from all of us at Platinum. Please be safe and stay healthy.

The Staff at Platinum Educational Group



Who is Platinum Educational Group, Exactly?

As Platinum Educational Group continues to broaden the versatility of our solutions for healthcare professions, as well as increase our audience, we would like to remind people of who we are and what we do!

We are staunch advocates for the highest degree of training for all Allied Health programs. **We are proud to boast the best, and most cost-efficient, competency tracking, scheduling, and compliance reporting for each Allied Health profession.**

"Best software out there. Customer service and technical support like none other. Easy to work with and the staff is eager to listen to the needs of your dept. and find solutions!" --Pat Bradley, Clinical Coordinator & Instructor.

***Factoid—We have delivered over 400 new features and updates for our customers, many at their request, since 2015!**

Our Mission: Deliver valid & reliable testing, assessment, scheduling, competency tracking, & compliance reporting solutions.

Our Vision: Every learner in the world can benefit from our solutions.



2021 Platinum Educational Group Allied Health Scholarship Winner

Another BIG congratulations goes out to the 2021 Platinum Educational Group \$1000 Allied Health Scholarship Award Winner, Dennis Mead! Dennis is enrolled at the University of Saint Mary in Leavenworth, KS.

If you missed this year's scholarship opportunity, don't worry! These are annual awards, and you may be eligible for 2022. If you would like to be put on our 2022 notification list then simply fill out the short form below!

[2022 Platinum Scholarship Program Notification List](#)



Allied Health Programs Desire Competency Tracking at an AFFORDABLE Cost. Good News—it's Here!

The number one "objective" that we hear most frequently is that Allied Health programs desire a transition to an online competency/clinical tracking and scheduling/rotation platform in a cost-effective manner. Well, good news...**WE HAVE THE SOLUTION FOR YOU!**

What Do We Offer?

We have worked very hard to produce a platform that will meet ALL of your needs and then some! Not only is keeping track of your students' competencies, case requirements, clinicals, and externship easy on your end, we also provide a

FREE student app that works online and offline for your pupils to utilize! We offer **FREE** customer support to admin, instructors, students, preceptors, and any other of our end users! **100% free, 100% of the time!**

CURRENT Supported Professions

- [Anesthesia Technology](#)
- [Dental Assistant](#)
- [Dental Hygienist](#)
- [Medical Assistant](#)
- [Occupational Therapy](#)
- [Occupational Therapy Assistant](#)
- [Ophthalmic Medical Technician](#)
- [Patient Care Technician](#)
- [Phlebotomy](#)
- [Pre-Clinical](#)
- [Respiratory Care](#)
- [Speech-Language](#)
- [Surgical Technology](#)
- [Veterinary Technology](#)

What is the Cost?

There is **NO Institutional fee** to incorporate Platinum Planner into your program, only a one-time nominal per-student fee with several different payment options!! There are so many more benefits to Platinum Planner. We would be honored to show you! Finally, **YOU** can have an affordable electronic competency/clinical tracking system!

Stop wasting time tracking your students with paper and pencil or excel! We have an easier and more cost-effective solution!

Top 10 Reasons to Utilize PlatinumPlanner.com

“Everything is going extremely well using Platinum Planner. Even the clinical sites are pleased with how easy the process has turned out to be!” --Michelle Leese Ashley, Academic Program Director, Dental Assistant Department, Greenville Technical College (SC)

Schedule a short demo of Platinum Planner on **YOUR** time!

Easy Demo Scheduling!



Submit an Article!

Do you have a knack for writing good articles? Do you have an awesome article you have written in the past that you would like to showcase? Do you have a blog?

If you said yes to any of these, then we want you!

We are currently looking for quality Allied Health content to be featured in our monthly newsletter and social media platforms! Maybe you want to submit just one article, a few, or be a consistent contributor—all of these are great! Contributors will receive a “thank you” package from us (Gift Card, Platinum Swag) as well as some great exposure to

your content and expertise!

If you would like to submit an article for consideration, [Click Here!](#)



Knowing the difference between live skill and clinical skill documentation

By Elizabeth Cagle, Customer Service Advocate, Platinum Educational Group

There are two individual skills classifications within the clinical class, live skills, and clinical skills, each documented separately from the other. So, what exactly is the difference between them and how are they meant to be documented? This is a question asked more frequently.

Live skills are performed on real patients in isolation, meaning they are not done with an assessment or a series of other skills. When students do not.

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Differences Between Proprietary and Off-the-Shelf Screening Technology

By Levi Perkins, Corporate Screening

When you're considering which background screening provider is right for your organization, the technology the provider uses matters more to your screening and hiring process than you might think.

If your provider uses background check technology built off of a template designed for several other companies, it may feel like your organization's needs are being forced to fit into a cookie-cutter solution created for someone else. Conversely, when you work with a screening provider with proprietary background check technology, you're getting responsive functionality and customization with your needs in mind—and this is just one of the many benefits.

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Episode 33: Know The Rules! Case Study: Business Associate Breach

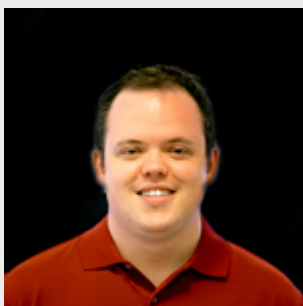
By Kimberley Shutters

Today, I am presenting a case study on the chain of events after a Business Associate breach of electronic protected health information (ePHI).

Business Associates (BAs) YOU may be directly liable for violations of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Security Rule and Breach Notification Rule as well as certain provisions of the Privacy Rule after experiencing

such a breach. Liability may attach to BAs, even in situations in which the BA has not entered into the required Business Associate Agreement with the Covered Entity (CE).

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Staff Update: Ben Hurst

We are very pleased to announce that Ben Hurst has been promoted to Developer (Tier I)! He has worked hard for a long time to get to this point, and it is only the beginning for him and his career. Ben has now committed his first unassisted code update and has already closed a couple of issues!

He will still be handling most of his current testing and tier 2 support duties for the time being as he continues to learn our codebase and is able to take on more and more complex development tasks. Our plan is to hire a new QA/Tester to help take over those duties when he is more up-to-speed, but there is no set timeframe yet. The Dev Team is certainly excited to get the very much-needed extra capacity!



From the Customer Support Team

How to get a refund or transfer?

Q: My student needs a refund or transfer to a different course, how do they go about that?

A: Transfer requests have come up a lot lately. These requests can be due to previous medical issues or having been approved into the wrong course. In these cases, the transfer policy will be followed to see if the student follows the requirements to approve a transfer.

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“Excellent customer support response! They helped me access the documentation I needed with clear and easy instructions. Platinum Planner works great for tracking cases in the surgical technology program!” --Tammy Perlot, Surgical Technology Student, Delaware Technical and Community College (DE)



Upcoming Conferences Platinum Educational Group will be Attending

AVTE – August 5 – 8, 2021 – St. Louis, MO

AAMA Annual Conference – September 24-26, 2021 – Houston, TX

NN2 – September 29 – October 1, 2021 – Kissimmee, FL

Bring your coin by and say hello for a prize! Don't have a coin?? No problem! [Click Here](#) to schedule a demo and we will send you and your entire team a coin and some swag!

News From Our Allies in Education

Every month we feature a key news snippet or other information from our allies in Allied Health Education. If you would like to connect and see how we can collaborate, [contact us!](#)



WANTED - Subject Matter Experts (SME's)

AMCA's Subject Matter Experts complete a wide range of projects and tasks that contribute to certification program and exam development. SMEs have a deep understanding of the profession they are representing and provide knowledge and expertise for that specific area.

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New Submission Requirements

New! The following program applications can now be completed online through the membership portal.

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CAAHEP - Find a Program

Find an accredited program by clicking below.

[More Information](#)



Customer Showcase: Sussex County Community College

Every month we give a little bit of love to one of our valued customers! This month we celebrate the awesome Allied Health Staff at Sussex County Community College (NJ).

Nestled in the heart of Sussex County, New Jersey, Sussex college is a gem amidst rolling hills, lush forests, and tranquil ponds. The College has grown tremendously in its enrollment, academic and career programs, and facilities. At Sussex, they offer many of the amenities and advantages of a large institution combined with the unique benefits of a smaller college.

Their class sizes are modest, giving you the opportunity for a quality, personal education where you can get to know our caring professors. Our faculty and staff dedicate themselves to ensuring your education and experience at Sussex are a priority.

Vision: Sussex County Community College will be a leader in NJ Higher Education as a premier provider of 21st-century learning opportunities, professional training, and skills development to meet the needs of the people of our community in a globally competitive environment.

Mission: We transform lives by providing lifelong learning opportunities through high-quality academic, career, and enrichment programs in an accessible and supportive environment to ensure student success.

We want to thank Sussex Community College for their trust in our solutions, our customer service, and our reputation to provide the highest quality of both!

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