TENNESSEE NURSE AIDE

SKILL TEST INSTRUCTIONS

These Instructions are to be placed in the waiting/sign in area so all candidates have an opportunity to read these instructions before going to the skill test portion their exam.

YOU ARE NOT ALLOWED TO LEAVE THE SKILL TESTING AREA/ROOM UNTIL FINISHED WITH YOUR SKILL TEST. PLEASE REMEMBER TO USE THE RESTROOM BEFORE ENTERING THE TESTING ROOMS, IF NEEDED.

CELL PHONES, SMART WATCHES, FITNESS MONITORS AND ANY OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES MUST BE TURNED OFF (NOT ON VIBRATE OR MUTE) DURING SKILL TESTING.

USAGE OF CELL PHONES, SMART WATCH, FITNESS MONITORS OR ANY OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES (TABLET, LAPTOP, I-POD, ETC.) IS NOT ALLOWED IN THE TESTING AREAS AND THESE ITEMS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO BE NEAR OR ON YOUR PERSON (IN POCKETS, ON WRIST, ETC.) DURING TESTING. ANY PERSONAL BELONGINGS (PURSE, BAGS, CELL PHONES, SMART WATCHES, FITNESS MONITORS, LAPTOPS, TABLETS ETC.) NEED TO BE PLACED IN THE DESIGNATED AREA INSIDE THE TESTING ROOM. DEVICES AND PERSONAL BELONGINGS MAY BE COLLECTED WHEN YOU LEAVE THE TEST AREA AFTER COMPLETING AN EXAM COMPONENT.

Anyone using a cell phone, smart watch, fitness monitor or any other electronic device (texting/Google searching/etc.) during testing will be asked to leave the test site, will forfeit all testing fees, will have their test scored as a failed test and will be reported to the Tennessee Department of Health. You would not be permitted to retest without a letter from TDH allowing a retest.

WELCOME TO YOUR SKILL TEST!

The RN Test Observer (TO) does not decide whether or not you pass or fail. The TO only observes and records the steps s(he) sees you demonstrate. D&SDT-HEADMASTER staff in Findlay, Ohio scores your test when the TO submits it for scoring.

- You will have **35** minutes to complete your assigned skills.
- Each of your skills has a scenario. The TO will read **one scenario at a time** to you. As soon as you understand the scenario, please actually perform and demonstrate the skill.
- Your first skill will be Handwashing. After you have completed that skill, you are permitted to verbalize when you would wash your hands only for the remaining 4 skills.
- Steps that are only verbalized <u>do not count</u>, unless identified in the candidate handbook. You must use real water, real soap, <u>whatever supplies needed to actually perform the skills</u>. *No pretending!*
- At anytime, before you run out of time, you may:
 - Ask the TO to reread any scenario.
 - Correct any step on any skill you believe you did incorrectly.
 - ◆ To make a correction, you must tell the TO the specific skill and what step(s) you will **re-demonstrate**.
- When finished with each skill, tell the TO you are finished and return to the relaxation area.
- Two timers will be set when you begin your skill test. The first timer will sound when 15 minutes remain and the second timer will sound when all 35 minutes have elapsed.
- The 35-minute skill test time starts when you actually begin the Handwashing skill.
- The first thing the TO will do when you enter the skills room is ask you to show your ID as a double check to ensure the TO
 has your personalized skill test.
- The TO will sit beside you and ask you if you have any questions about these instructions.
- The TO will tell you the skills you will demonstrate.
- Then the TO will show you the location of the supplies you will need for your skills and will demonstrate the equipment you will use for your assigned skills. You will have an opportunity to ask the TO any questions you may have during the equipment demonstration.
- The TO will show you the location of the Relaxation Area.
- The TO will show you the location of where to knock.
- The TO will read your first scenario to you and will start the timers when you begin your first demonstration.

