## NORTHWOOD TECHNICAL COLLEGE PHARMACY TECHNICIAN STUDENT HANDBOOK

## **CLINICAL AGREEMENT**

I, the undersigned, agree to uphold the standards of the Pharmacy Technician clinical experience as stated in the Pharmacy Technician course syllabi and the standards as written in the Pharmacy Technician handbook. I acknowledge that I have received all of these documents, have read them, have had the opportunity to ask questions, and am responsible for their contents.

I specifically agree to the following:

- 1) phone calls must be made to <u>both</u> the instructor and the clinic preceptor in case of an absence and
- 2) confidentiality is to be practiced at all times, specifically according to HIPAA regulations. (See examples on reverse side.)

Failure to call both the instructor and clinic preceptor and/or any breach of confidentiality shall be grounds for dismissal from the program.

Student Signature	Date
Print Name	

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HIPAA Standards apply to the following healthcare providers that transmit information electronically:

- Medical centers
- LTC facilities
- Hospices
- Pharmacies
- Clinics
- Dental clinics
- Chiropractors
- Podiatrists
- Osteopaths
- Physical therapists
- Alternative medicine (acupuncture, massage therapy)
- Laboratories and many others

Patient information that is protected as it may include identifiable information includes:

- Name, address, phone
- d.o.b.
- dates of treatments
- fax numbers
- email addresses
- SS numbers
- Med record numbers and much more.....

NOTE: This is **not** an all-inclusive list of HIPAA Standards. Information taken from Judson, Harrison, Hicks, *Law and Ethics for Medical Careers*, 2010.

Patient information is never to be disclosed to anyone without that patient's consent unless it is to the US Dept of HHS and only for a valid reason.

This means that you are not allowed to access or give out any person's medical information unless it relates to the care you are providing. You can't even access your own medical record! In addition, you are not to even say that you saw a person in the medical facility without their consent.

When in doubt, don't!

Practice Confidentiality at ALL Times!