Fellow athletic trainers,

As we continue to operate during these unprecedented times caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, we are doing so in unique work situations. Many of you are out of the athletic training facility, working remotely or maybe even working in another part of the institution, and are unsure of when you will be able to return to work with your patients, your student athletes. The NATA Intercollegiate Council for Sports Medicine would like to encourage you to utilize NATA and BOC resources to help create a better work environment for when we return after quarantine.

The <u>BOC Facility Principles document</u> is a great resource focused on the role of the athletic trainer in the prevention of disease transmission and safety standards, developing policies and procedures of cleaning facilities, water sources for hand washing and potable water as well as use of personal protective equipment (PPE).

We encourage you to review this document to see where your facility stands and advocate for changes that may be necessary for our return to our athletic training facilities. Is there enough room in your facility/clinic for social distancing? Is your facility/clinic compliant with HIPAA and FERPA laws? Do you have adequate PPE? What about sanitizers? These are just some of the questions you should consider.

This is an opportunity to improve your job satisfaction and facility standards. The goal is to be proactive and not reactive!

Best In Health,



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