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Updated QMA Curriculum

IDOH is pleased to release the updated and revised QMA Basic Curriculum. This has been a long process with a comprehensive review of the old curriculum, several revisions, and reviews by long-term care provider associations, training programs, and clinical review by the IDOH Chief Medical Officer and Long-term Care Medical Director. The curriculum follows a similar format and content as the previous curriculum, but outdated lessons, procedures and medications have been removed and replaced with updated information.

The curriculum is being released now but is not required to be used for training until May 2024. The intent is to give training programs time to review the curriculum and make any needed changes to their program and materials. All QMA Training Programs must follow the IDOH QMA Curriculum. An updated QMA competency evaluation will be implemented in June 2024 with Ivy Tech Community College Testing Services.

The student and instructor QMA curriculum manuals can be accessed at the following links, for a limited time. Then, approved instructors and program directors can email

IDOHLtctrainingprograms@health.in.gov for an electronic copy of the revised QMA curriculum manuals. Any new training instructors and program directors will receive the curriculum during their train-the-trainer class.

[QMA Student Curriculum](#)
[QMA Instructor Curriculum](#)

Updated QMA-Insulin Administration Education Module

IDOH has updated the QMA-Insulin Administration Education Module to include the pictures and illustrations that were previously missing as well as a few other updates.

The revised student and instructor QMA-Insulin Education Modules can be accessed [here](#) and should be used for any future QMA-Insulin training classes.

[QMA - Insulin Administration Education Module - Student](#)
[QMA - Insulin Administration Education Module - Instructor](#)

Platform for CNA/QMA Certification Renewals

New for January 2024, Nurse Aide Certificate Holders and/or Registrants (CNA, QMA, QMA-Insulin, HHA) will utilize the new MyLicense One platform to renew, update contact information, and submit any additional documentation to update their certificate. In this new platform, QMAs will be required to upload documentation of the required six hours of annual in-service training to renew their QMA certification.

To access this new platform, individuals will login or register for an Access Indiana account at mylicense.in.gov/eGov/ML1PLA.html . The new platform will require individuals to link their certificates and/or registrations by using their Certification/Registration Number and their Registration Code, which will be provided on their renewal notices. The renewal process through the new platform will include a survey from the Bowen Center on supplemental workforce data.

Ivy Tech CNA/QMA Testing Online Application Update

Ivy Tech Community College Testing Services has fully launched an online application process for CNA, QMA and QMA-Insulin testing as of Jan. 1. More information on this and other updates related to aide training, testing and certification can be found in the Aides Training Programs newsletter, accessible at the bottom of this website: [Certified Nurse Aide: Certification and Recertification](#).

Link to subscribe to IDOH Aides Training Programs newsletter:

https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/INSDH/subscriber/new?topic_id=INSDH_921

NIOSH Respiratory Protective Device Approval Recall

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) has honored a request by A & Z Pharmaceutical, Inc. to voluntarily rescind one NIOSH respirator approval issued to A & Z Pharmaceutical, Inc.

As of Dec. 6, 2023, any respirator marked with a NIOSH-approval label with approval number TC-84A-9307 is no longer NIOSH approved. The NIOSH [Certified Equipment List](#) no longer includes this approval number.

Due to the voluntary rescission of this NIOSH approval, respirators bearing this NIOSH approval number may no longer be used, manufactured, assembled, sold or distributed.

Please reach out to A & Z Pharmaceutical, Inc. for additional details related to their decision to voluntarily rescind one approval issued to A & Z Pharmaceutical, Inc. identified in this notice. The Certified Equipment List can be used to locate other NIOSH Approved® respirators.

[NIOSH Respiratory Protective Device Information \(CA 2024-1072\) | NPPTL | NIOSH | CDC](#)

Interim Area 2 Supervisor

Effective immediately, Heather Bilsland will be acting as the interim supervisor for Area 2 (north central Indiana). She will continue to be the supervisor for Area 1 (northwest Indiana). You can find the names of all area supervisors, their contact information, and a map of the areas each supervisor covers at <https://www.in.gov/health/ltc/files/LTC-MAP.pdf>.