



Covid-19 Update 29/10/2020

Class Attendance

In the interest of safety for staff and apprentices, all classes at our Stockport and St Helens centres will be delivered remotely by Zoom for the next two weeks. Examinations will take place as planned, practical workshops will be suspended as these are unable to be delivered online.

Apprentices scheduled to attend the training centre for classes within the next 2 weeks should please attend the sessions via Zoom.

We have not taken this decision lightly, but we have become concerned at the increasing rate of Covid-19 and the impact this is having on the veterinary sector locally. We will monitor the situation carefully and hope to be able to reopen the centres to students on 16th November.

When we do resume classes, students will be able to attend their planned sessions provided:

- The employer is happy for apprentices to attend.
- The apprentice is not experiencing symptoms of covid-19
- The apprentice feels comfortable attending classes and has not been in close contact with anyone displaying symptoms / tested positive of Covid-19.
- The apprentice has not been working at a practice or branch where there is anyone with Covid-19 symptoms / positive Covid-19 cases. Regardless of whether they have been in close contact.

We ask all employers and apprentices to keep us informed of any suspected / confirmed cases of Covid 19 in the practice. This will enable us to plan appropriate training and support for apprentices.

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