



## **Joint Commission Policy Statement**

Appdiction Studio is committed to providing a higher standard of service and to the delivery of safe, quality patient care. Appdiction Studio complies with the Joint Commission's Standards for Healthcare Staffing Services. As our customer, you can have the confidence that Appdiction Studio staff continually meets or exceeds the standards established by the Joint Commission. These standards provide the highest quality and best-value across all health care settings. This is supported and maintained by processes within Appdiction Studio.

To assure compliance with the Joint Commission Standards for Healthcare Staffing Services, Appdiction Studio provides the customer a written description of the following service features:

### **Subcontractors**

Appdiction Studio will not engage subcontractors to provide employees unless agreed to in advance by the customer.

### **Floating**

Assigned Employees may only be placed in assignments that match the job description for which Appdiction Studio assigns them; if an Assigned Employee is asked to float to another department with the customer, the department must be a like department or unit and the float employee must have demonstrated previous competency and have the appropriate certifications, credentials for that department/unit. Assigned Employees should only be floated to areas of comparable clinical diagnoses and acuities.

### **Competency Review**

It is the responsibility of Appdiction Studio to conduct and finalize the pre employment assessment of the Assigned Employee's competence based on the techniques, procedures, technology and skills needed to provide care, treatment and services to the populations served by the customer upon completion of Appdiction Studio's orientation.

It shall be the responsibility of the customer to cooperate in a review or evaluation of each Assigned Employee, relative to the employee's ability to perform specific job functions upon completion of employee's assignment or shift. Appdiction Studio relies on the customer's feedback in order to accurately assess and reassess the competence of the Assigned Employee on an ongoing basis based on the customer's report of clinical performance.

### **Orientation of Employees**

Appdiction Studio will provide all new employees with an orientation to the company's policies and procedures. It shall be the responsibility of the customer to orient assigned employees to the facility and its rules and regulations and to acquaint them with the facility policies and procedures, including dress code, physical layout and equipment and to validate competency and ability of Assigned Employee to properly use equipment.

### **Employees and Independent Contractors**

As the provider of staffing services, Appdiction Studio will be the employer of Assigned Employees and shall not by reason of their temporary assignment with the customer through Appdiction Studio become employees of the customer. At its sole discretion Appdiction Studio reserves the right to utilize Independent Contractors in addition to its employees, to assist in the provision of all agreed upon Healthcare Supplemental Staffing services.

### **Incident, Error, Tracking System**

Upon notification of Incidents and or Errors, Appdiction Studio shall document and track all unexpected incidents, including errors, sentinel events and other events, such as injuries and safety

hazards related to the care and services provided, utilizing its data gathering tools. Information gathered, tracked, and analyzed is to be shared and reported appropriately to customers, regulatory bodies, and the Joint Commission as required.

#### **Communicating Occupational Safety Hazards/Events**

It shall be the responsibility of the customer to notify Appddiction Studio within 24 hours of the event; any competency issues, incidents, and/or complaints related to the Assigned Employee and/or Appddiction Studio. Customer agrees to initiate communication with Appddiction Studio whenever an incident/injury report related to the Assigned Employee is completed.

#### **Requirements for Staff Specified**

The requirements of staff sent to the customer by Appddiction Studio are to be determined by the customer as part of the written agreement between the two parties. It is Appddiction Studio's obligation to comply with the requirements of the customer by supplying staff that have the documented competencies, credentials, health screening and experience to satisfy the requirements specified by the customer in order to deliver safe care to the population being served.

#### **Staff Matching Requirements**

Appddiction Studio shall verify the Assigned Employee's licensure, certification, education and work experience to assure they are competent and possess the skills and experience that match requirements for the assignment. Matching the Assigned Employee's licensure, certification, education and work experience to assure they are competent and possess the skills and experience matching the specified requirements of the assignment may include the use of new grad practitioners for Allied personnel and **non-licensed** nursing personnel such as sitters, caregivers and nursing assistants, it may also include licensed nursing personnel upon the request or approval of the customer.

#### **General Information**

The Appddiction Studio office, located in San Antonio, TX is open Monday through Friday from the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Our local telephone number is 210-704-7828. Outside of normal business hours or in the event of an emergency please contact us at 210-859-9677.

In the event of an emergency, natural disaster or other uncontrollable event, Appddiction Studio will continue to provide service to you through our corporate network from a location where phones and computers are functional. Appddiction Studio will do everything possible to support you in meeting your needs during crisis situation(s). A copy of our Emergency Management Plan is available upon request.

Our goal is to always provide you with a consistent level of service. If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our service or the service provided by one of our healthcare professionals, we encourage you to contact the local manager to discuss the issue. Appddiction Studio has processes in place to resolve customer complaints in an effective and efficient manner. If the resolution does not meet your expectation, we encourage you to call the Appddiction Studio corporate office at 210-704-7828. A corporate representative will work with you to resolve your concern. Any individual or organization that has a concern about the quality and safety of patient care delivered by Appddiction Studio healthcare professionals, which has not been addressed by Appddiction Studio management, is encouraged to contact the Joint Commission at [www.jointcommission.org](http://www.jointcommission.org) Appddiction Studio demonstrates this commitment by taking no retaliatory or disciplinary action against employees when they do report safety or quality of care concerns to the Joint Commission.