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ABHES BULLETIN

To: ABHES- Accredited Institutions and Programs and Interested Parties

From: Carol Moneymaker, Executive Director

Date: May 10, 2011

Subject: ABHES Achieves Recognition by the NBSTSA

By letter dated May 5, 2011, from the National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (NBSTSA), the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES) has been awarded continued recognition by the NBSTSA. This recognition advances ABHES from provisional recognition status.

The NBSTSA recognition means that programmatic accreditation of Surgical Technology programs by ABHES continues to afford graduates the ability to sit for the Certified Surgical Technologist (CST) examination. The NBSTSA is accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA) for its administration of the CST certification; a credential required in some states to work as a surgical technologist.

On behalf ABHES and the students served, I am very pleased with the decision of the NBSTSA to award ABHES this recognition and I look forward to a continuing relationship with this organization. Please contact me at cmoneymaker@abhes.org or at 866.463.0717 with any questions.