



NAEC Colleagues:

NAEC is pleased to announce the launch of an online course to train Neurodiagnostic Assistants (NDAs) (often referred to as patient observers or monitor watchers) working within the EMU. The course is a collaboration between ASET: The Neurodiagnostic Society (ASET) and NAEC.

NAEC was excited to work with ASET on the development of this module to provide standardized education for those individuals serving as Neurodiagnostic Assistants in Level 3 and 4 epilepsy centers. With this course NDAs can gain basic skills in clinical seizure recognition, patient safety and how to respond to patient emergencies in the EMU. NDAs will work in tandem with credentialed Neurodiagnostic Technologists (R. EEG T. or CLTM) as well as the full multi-disciplinary epilepsy center team.

The ASET Board of Trustees approved the [Neurodiagnostic Assistant \(NDA\) position title and job description](#) in August of 2020, which combined two existing Qualified Personnel Workforce roles (the Neurodiagnostic Lab Assistant and Patient Observer) under a single title to align with the Neurodiagnostics service line. Neurodiagnostic Assistants are not trained, nor qualified, to analyze EEG data.

The ASET/NAEC educational offering (LTM 100 Introduction to Long Term Monitoring for EMU personnel) is an online course primarily focused on the role of the Neurodiagnostic Assistant in aiding with clinical seizure recognition, integrity of video, and appropriate interdisciplinary communication. The LTM 100 has been added to ASET's existing 13-course EEG Curriculum and 10-course LTM curriculum. ASET is continually developing the EEG and LTM curriculum with the intention that individuals will continue their learning and exam preparation to advance professionally in their career ladder.

NAEC encourages its member centers to enroll their Neurodiagnostic Assistants in the LTM 100 course at no cost to the center. Please forward the instructions below to Individuals serving in your centers as patient observers/monitor watchers to enroll in LTM 100 by following the instructions below:

To create an account and enroll in LTM 100

Step 1: Visit <https://www.aset.org> and create an account *Wait for a confirmation email about your newly created account (do not duplicate accounts).

Step 2: After confirmation, log onto <https://www.aset.org> with your username and password

Step 3: Click on this

link: https://www.aset.org/i4a/ams/amsstore/category.cfm?category_id=61 >select LTM 100 > add to cart > click on "coupon" button and enter in NAECNDA!21A > submit > then check out to complete the ordering process. Course fees will be waived for Neurodiagnostic Assistants (The payment process will reflect this \$0. amount, as long as you have entered the coupon code.

Step 4: You will receive an emailed receipt and automated instructional email within 30 minutes or less from the info@ASET.org . Receipt of the instructional email indicates the enrollment has been processed successfully. You will then be able to access the course by following the instructions provided at that time. If you do not receive an email in 30 minutes, please check your spam/junk folder.

NAEC and ASET staff are happy to answer any questions. Please contact ASET at info@ASET.org or Barbara Small at info@naec-epilepsy.org.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Susan Herman", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Susan Herman, MD
President