MD STUDENT PHYSICAL EXAMINATION CONDUCT

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Purpose

To provide conduct guidelines for MD students and faculty during MD program organized physical examination sessions and student organized practice sessions during both pre-clerkship and clerkship training.

Scope

This policy applies to all medical students.

Definitions

In this policy

a) “Approval authority” means the office or officer responsible for approving University policy and procedures.

b) “Implementation authority” means the office or officer responsible for implementing University policy and procedures as well as monitoring compliance.

Procedures

Rules of Conduct:

During curricular/clinical time in pre-clerkship and clerkship, students and preceptors will not be used as patients. This means that students will not examine the preceptors, the preceptors will not examine the students, and students will not examine one another.
The Undergraduate Medical Education (UME) office cannot, and will not, dictate and monitor activities that are beyond curricular time, but nevertheless strongly recommends against non-curricular student-student examinations. Students consenting to additional physical examination practice sessions with their peers need to do so in a way that is cautious, and respects personal boundaries. For the purposes of safety, UME administration strongly recommends that non-curricular student-student examinations be done in groups that are three or larger.

History

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