

### Clerkship Committee (CC)

January 12, 2021

12:30-2:30PM

**Attending:** Drs. K. Busche (*Chair*), K. Albrecht, T. Ayas, K. Darcus, D. Fu, G. Greenfield, A. Harvey, W. Harris-Thompson, R. Kachra, J. LaMothe, M. Louis, A. Mineyko, R. Ram, S. Weeks, S. Wicklum and S. George, S. Leskosky, M. Paget, L. Palmer, S. Tai, A. Ancelin (*Admin*).

**Regrets:** Drs. J. Desy, C. Naugler, Gary Gelfand.

**Guests:** D. Jean.

#### 1. Welcome and Thanks

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 PM by K. Busche (*Chair*). K. Busche thanked everyone for coming and everything they have continued to do throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### 2. Approval of the Meeting Agenda

K. Busche asked for any amendments or additions to the meeting agenda as circulated. Agenda item 7.1 Emergency Medicine clerkship report was removed from the agenda. Emergency Medicine to present at the meeting scheduled on February 16.

*K. Busche asked for a motion for the Clerkship Committee to accept the meeting agenda as circulated.*

**First:** M. Paget

**Second:** M. Louis

**Passed Unanimously**

#### 3. Approval of the Meeting Minutes from November 24, 2020

K. Busche asked if there were any amendments or corrections for the minutes circulated from the November 24, 2020 meeting. S. Weeks indicated under agenda item 4.1 Tanukis was spelled incorrectly. Under agenda item 4.3 "The hope is to continue as planned, however if need be it can be delivered virtually. The OSCES for the Tanukis will also take place virtually if need be" was replaced with "The Evaluations team is looking into options virtual or otherwise in the events that the planned OSCE cannot happen in person".

*K. Busche asked for a motion for the Clerkship Committee to accept the minutes from Nov 24, with amendments.*

**First:** M. Louis

**Second:** S. Wicklum

**Passed Unanimously**

#### 4. Standing Updates

##### 4.1 Student Reports

S. George (class of 2022) provided a student report to the committee. The class of 2022 are in their last week of Pre-Clerkship and then the students will be going into a transition phase to Clerkship with

ICP/Integrative followed by Boot Camp and Junior Clerkship.

#### **4.2 Undergraduate Medical Education Committee (UMEC) Update**

There are no new updates at this time.

#### **4.3 Pre-Clerkship Committee (PCC) Update**

S. Weeks indicated the EDI initiatives are moving along.

The hope is to have the Pre-Clerkship midterm exams back onsite.

Bringing the students back in person for half of their case-based small groups (having half of the students at a time in a large room) was previously discussed, however given the concerns from both the students and Faculty in Course 3 this is being reassessed. S. Weeks indicated she would still like to pilot this for a week or two, so there is a sense of whether in person small groups is much more effective in comparison to zoom meetings.

The Enchidnas are booking their first Career Exploration (formerly known as Pre-Clerkship Electives) and will be on their electives the last week of March. During that time the Limpkins will be in their CaRMS interviews/clerkship OSCE block. UME is working on simplifying the evaluation tool and will be graded as: are the students professional, showing signs of lifelong learning and engagement etc.

#### **4.4 Student Evaluation Committee (SEC) Update**

K. Busche indicated J. Desy has returned from maternity leave, however, was unable to attend. In J. Desy's absence K. Busche indicated the Competency Committee will resume. Currently the TOR are being amended.

K. Busche added the 12 EPA assessments used previously where the students have to demonstrate they can perform all the EPA's with minimal supervision will continue to be used for the class of 2022.

### **5. Arising from the Minutes**

#### **5.1 Class of 2022 Clerkship Planning**

K. Busche indicated S. Weeks has been incredibly helpful in taking over the development of the Bootcamp week. There will be a number of sessions where the students will get to practice some of the skills, they did not get much practice in because of the pandemic, including psychiatry practice sessions and neuro exam practice sessions. Case based sessions will be used so students can practice history, physical exams and presentation skills. Suicide prevention training has also been added.

K. Busche added on day one of the first two weeks of clerkship the students will do a formative cards-based exam and on the last day of the two weeks the students will have another, different formative cards-based exam, however similar in difficulty. There will be flexibility as to when the students can take the exams. The email that went out with the schedule did indicate flexibility for students to complete this exam.

During Junior Clerkship the students will have the opportunity to see what the role of a Clerk is on a medical team and in a clinical environment. K. Busche indicated All students have been assigned to a clinical environment.

For the CEL electives, with all the uncertainty around the pandemic, the community partners have been reluctant to bring learners onsite. Therefore, the community engagement learning electives format had to change. The students will have some online learning sessions around bystander training, anti-racism training, bias/power/privilege, indigenous perspectives on health, and some panel discussions with representatives from some of the partners to replicate some aspects of the learned experience. The

Interprofessional Education piece looks close to being completed. AHS colleagues have been recruiting to try to find placements for the students.

## **5.2 EPA**

M. Paget presented on EPA (Appendix A).

K. Busche added UME is tracking where the students are with their completion rates. Emails have been sent to students who have demonstrated a lack of completion of EPA's. K. Busche indicated reminding students that they should be letting their preceptors know they will be sending them the EPA's, and ensuring the preceptors are aware they may receive EPA's from the students would increase the number of EPA's completed.

The students have access to the EPA's at any time to distribute to their preceptors.

K. Busche shared the below link:

[https://www.afmc.ca/sites/default/files/pdf/AFMC\\_Entrustable\\_Professional\\_Activities\\_EN.pdf](https://www.afmc.ca/sites/default/files/pdf/AFMC_Entrustable_Professional_Activities_EN.pdf)

## **5.3 Site Outbreak Planning**

Busche indicated the number of outbreaks and watches that have had effect on Clerkship has been far less through the first weeks of 2021.

# **6. New Business**

## **6.1 Clerkship Lottery Results**

M. Paget presented on the clerkship lottery results (Appendix B).

## **6.2 Local Elective Limits**

K. Busche indicated the National UME Dean's meeting taking place tomorrow will determine whether visiting electives will open in July. An email will be sent out with the final decision.

K. Busche indicated in a normal year, students are only allowed one two-week elective in a discipline locally. For the class of 2021 it was raised to two two-week electives.

The committee agreed that local limits on the number of electives that can be done in any one specialty would be removed for the class of 2022.

**MOTION to accept by J. LaMothe, seconded by M. Louis. CARRIED.**

## **6.3 Clerkship Handbook/Core Docs**

K. Busche reported he will make the changes discussed to the Clerkship Handbook for the class of 2022 and hopes to have it completed in the next week or two.

K. Busche reminded the Clerkship Directors to go through their core documents and ensure they are up to date.

## **6.4 Vaccinations**

K. Busche indicated AHS is using a list of principles that they developed for an order in which vaccinations

will be rolled out to everyone in the province. As of now the decision from AHS is the students will be vaccinated in the later phases. Updates will be provided to students.

#### **7. Next Meeting**

The committee's next meeting will be on February 16 at 1230. The meeting may be extended to end at 1500, however will be determined closer to the meeting date. The committee will be receiving a report from the Electives clerkship rotation and Emergency Medicine.

#### **8. Adjournment**

K. Busche (*Chair*) adjourned the meeting at 1410.

**Minutes:** Andrea Ancelin– January 14, 2021

**Edits:** Dr. Kevin Busche – January 15, 2021