

**UPSOM Curriculum Committee
Minutes of the 459th Meeting
April 18, 2022**

Jason Rosenstock, MD, Chair
Bill Yates, PhD, Vice-Chair

Business of the Curriculum Committee on April 18, 2022

Motion	Vote Tally	Approved?
Approval of Minutes from the April 4 meeting	11 Yes, 0 No	YES
Approval of EPO 21	14 Yes, 0 No	YES
Content Change Request: OBGYN clerkship grading	14 Yes, 0 No	YES
Approval of PBA Subcommittee Report	18 Yes, 0 No	YES
Approval of Psychiatry Clerkship Report, with follow-up	17 Yes, 0 No	YES
Approval of Neurology Clerkship Report	11 Yes, 0 No	YES

Voting Members Present: A. Brown, MD; A. McCormick, MD, FAAP; B. Yates, PhD; B. O'Donnell, MD; B. Chamberlain, MSTP; E. Ufomata, MD, MS; H. Hohmann, MD; J. Waxman, MD, PhD; J. Rosenstock, MD; K. Ortiz, MS3; L. Knepper, MD; L. Borghesi, PhD; M. DeFrances, MD, PhD; M. Schmidt, PhD; O. Torres, MD; P. Drain, PhD; R. Schuchert, MD; R. Maier, MD, MA; S. Truschel, PhD; V. Agarwal, MD

Ex-Officio Members Present: B. Piraino, MD; C. Pettigrew, EdD; C. Lance-Jones, PhD; J. Losee, MD, FACS, FAAP; R. Buranosky, MD, MPH

Invited Colleagues and Guests: A. Biller, MD; A. James, MD, PhD; A. Clark, MD; A. Serra, MD, MPH; B. Abramovitz, DO; C. Pacella, MD; C. Deirmenjian, MS4; C. Schott, MD, MS, RDMS, FACEP; E. Reis, MD; G. Perez, MD; G. Wagner; G. Cooper, MD, PhD; Greg Null, MA; H. Cheng, MD, MPH, MS; J. Sheon; J. Maier, PhD, MD; J. Szymusiak, MD, MS; J. Beckel, PhD; K. Scott, MA; K. Maietta, MPPM; M. Tavarez, MD, MS; M. Sergeant, MPH; N. Shenai, MD; R. Van Deusen, MD, MS; R. Turner, MLIS; S. Khan, PhD; S. Templar, DO, FACP, FIDSA; W. Walker, PhD

All members and guests remotely participated.

William Yates, PhD opened the meeting at 4:05pm.

A motion to approve the minutes of the 458th meeting of the Curriculum Committee was brought before the Curriculum Committee. The minutes were APPROVED.

Standing Committees and Threads

CCES: A reminder that course evaluations are not considered research and do not require IRB. Please reach out to IRB and CCES if you wish to start research on medical students.

CCQI: CCQI sent notice to CCES asking for updates on the fall request for a plan for tripline GQ data. The updates was requested by May 15. Information gathered will help generate the LCME response in August 2022.

Social Medicine: Dr. Ufomata reported on the upcoming switch of MS2 courses, where Racism in Medicine and Population Health will switch in the calendar.

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Content Change Request

OBGYN Clerkship requested a change in grading criteria, with the addition of 5% professionalism grade and a rebalance of problem-based learning from 15% to 10%. The Clerkship Subcommittee approved this request.

A motion to approve the content change request was brought before the Curriculum Committee. The change was APPROVED.

GME Update

Dr. Waxman reported on peer-coaching initiatives at the GME level. Dr. Waxman asked for feedback on peer-coaching and teaching from the medical school faculty. Dr. Waxman can be reached at waxmane@upmc.edu

Review of EPO20 Revisions

Dr. Ufomata led a discussion on EPO20: Recognize and develop approaches to mitigate bias, social inequities, and systemic racism that undermines health and create challenges to achieving health equity at individual, organizational, and societal levels revisions. Revisions to the sub-objectives include eliminating 20-1, adding clarity and depth to types of diversity, use of the term cultural humility, the blending of 20-3 and 20-7, and the addition of two new sub-objectives that cover working with a language interpreter and promotion of beneficial partnerships with patient communities.

Discussion included where interpreter experiences can be uniformly found within the curriculum.

A motion to approve the EPO20 revisions as discussed was brought before the Curriculum Committee. The EPO was APPROVED.

PBA Subcommittee Report

Dr. Van Deusen reported on the work of the Performance-based Assessment Subcommittee. A review of the subcommittee's mandate was followed by reasoning behind OSCE use at the school. The Clinical Competency Assessment (CCA) plan for the Class of 2023 was presented, and includes a 2-step OSCE with a 6-station experience during Assessment Week and a 10-station remediation experience near IP-Geriatrics Week in the Fall. Students must pass one of the OSCEs to graduate. The PBA Subcommittee felt that the CCA result should not be shared on the MSPE. Innovations and challenges were also reviewed.

Remediation coaching, OSCE reliability, and rubric development were discussed. Student comments on note-taking time limits and transparency on rubrics were taken in to account.

A motion to approve the PBA Subcommittee Report was brought before the Curriculum Committee. The report was APPROVED.

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Psychiatry Clerkship Report

Dr. Shenai reviewed clerkship learning objectives as linked to the school's educational program objectives. Clerkship structure and clinical sites were reviewed. Changes made during the academic year include grading scheme change and the establishment of Grading Committee. CCQI data was presented, with focus on mistreatment reports and duty hour violations. Shelf scores and grading distributions were reviewed. Ongoing challenges include continuous identification and reduction of implicit bias, increasing and enhancing sites, and the challenge of retaining and recruiting outpatient preceptors.

Innovations for the upcoming academic year include inclusion of a verbal de-escalation workshop, use of natural language processing to reduce bias in narrative comments, and standardized site visits.

Dr. Rosenstock shared the clerkship's portfolio with the Curriculum Committee. The discrepancies of duty hour and mistreatment reports were discussed. The Curriculum Committee asked for a review of duty hour and mistreatment reports and a report back in the next two months.

A motion to approve the Psychiatry Clerkship report, with request for follow-up, was brought before the Curriculum Committee. The report was APPROVED.

Neurology Clerkship Report

Dr. Knepper reviewed the structure, schedule, clinical sites, EPA tracking, goals and objectives within the clerkship. Clinical conditions and procedures were reviewed. Formative and summative assessment and feedback opportunities were presented, and included grading scheme and distribution. GQ and Match data was also shared.

Innovations include EMR note review and lumbar puncture OSCE, goal setting at intervals with site director meeting, addition of neuroradiology cases, and pre-didactic quizzes. Changes for the upcoming academic year include a half day of social determinant of health exercise, noon didactics three days per week, and blind summative Medhub comments sent to each student. Challenges include Medhub evaluation completion, diversity and inclusion, lack of outpatient clinical sites, and faculty/resident recruitment for case-based didactics and OSCE assistance.

Dr. Rosenstock shared the Neurology portfolio with the Curriculum Committee.

A motion to approve the Neurology Clerkship report was brought before the Curriculum Committee. The report was APPROVED.

The next meeting is on May 2 at 4pm. Dr. Rosenstock closed the meeting at 5:25pm.

Respectfully submitted, Gregory Null, recording secretary. Approved by Jason Rosenstock, MD