Policy on Visiting Medical Students

I. POLICY

Medical students from LCME and non-LCME accredited medical schools may enroll in fourth year electives at UPSOM, if appropriate criteria are met including but not limited to availability of an elective site. Students from other medical schools may enroll in elective clinical experiences when it will not negatively impact the education of UPSOM medical students.

II. PURPOSE

The acceptance of visiting medical students from other schools, both inside and outside of the United States, into the elective clinical experience at UPSOM serves at least two purposes. One is to increase the exposure of UPSOM students to individuals from diverse cultures. The second role is to increase the number of qualified applicants to the school's associated residency programs at UPMC.

III. SCOPE

This policy applies to:

- Deans, Directors, and Department Heads
- Faculty

IV. POLICY AUTHOR(S)

• Office of Medical Education

V. RELATED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

• Procedure for Visiting Student Application for Elective Rotations {not yet developed}

VI. REFERENCES

LCME Element 10.8: Visiting Students. A medical school does all of the following:

- Verifies the credentials of each visiting medical student
- Ensures that each visiting medical student demonstrates qualifications comparable to those of the medical students he or she would join in educational experiences
- Maintains a complete roster of visiting medical students
- Approves each visiting medical student's assignments

- Provides a performance assessment for each visiting medical student
- Establishes health-related protocols for such visiting medical students
- Identifies the administrative office that fulfills these responsibilities

VII. APPROVALS

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