Explore & Focus Committee Minutes

Date: February 28, 2022
Time: 4:00 – 5:30PM

Co-Chairs: Esther Chung

Attendees
QUORUM REACHED: NO

Academic Chair: Esther Chung
Voting Members: Alson Burke, Doug Schaad, Emily Myers, Matt Cunningham, Mike Spinelli, Ralph Ermoian, Roger Tatum, Sarah Thomson, Troy Johnston

Regrets
Voting Members: Amanda Kost, Barb Doty, Chelsea Denney, Jaryd Unangst, Madelyn Peha, Matthew Hollon, Nam Tran, Susan Merel, Thomas Payne

Agenda

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<td>Approve January Minutes</td>
<td>Esther Chung</td>
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<td>Announcements:</td>
<td>Jessica Wheeler</td>
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<td>• E-vote motion passed: “Allow the UWSOM to start scheduling visiting students on April 1, 2022 for the 2022-2023 clerkship year”</td>
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<td>• Disclaimer on Credit Limit in a Specialty Policy expires</td>
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<td>• Exam Schedule Guideline: Patient Care Committee voted to keep Friday final exams</td>
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<td>Clerkship requirement changes for AY 2022-2023:</td>
<td>Esther Chung / Eric Kraus / Ali Ravanpay / Robert Bonow</td>
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Next Meeting: March 21, 2022
1. Approve January Minutes

Discussion: The committee reviewed January meeting minutes.

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Decision:

2. Announcements

Announcements:
- On February 4, 2022, the Explore & Focus Committee approved the following motion via e-vote: “Allow the UWSOM to start scheduling visiting students on April 1, 2022 for the 2022-2023 clerkship year.” See the January 31, 2022 meeting minutes for details.

- Disclaimer on Credit Limit in a Specialty Policy will expire at the end of the current clerkship year. In May 2021 Curriculum Committee approved a temporary change for the 2021-2022 clerkship year for away rotation credits (one per student per specialty). The Coalition for Physician Accountability (COPA) is a group that issues guidance for medical schools nationwide, and this disclaimer was to keep in line with their guidance for the 2021-2022 clerkship year.

- At the February Patient Care Committee meeting, the committee motioned to change clerkship final exam days from Friday to Thursday. This motion failed. Clerkship final exam days will continue to be Friday for the 2022-2023 clerkship year.

3. Clerkship requirement changes for Academic Year 2022-2023

Discussion: The committee reviewed changes for the 2022-2023 clerkship year for the Neurology and Neurosurgery required clerkships.

Neurology
- No big changes planned for the upcoming clerkship year. There were two changes to clinical sites:
  - Removing Spokane-Multicare
  - Adding the Atlas Neurology Great Falls site

Neurosurgery
- Additional required clerkship activities
  - Attend in-person neuro exam didactics with Neurology clerkship on Thursday afternoons.
  - General Neurosurgery clinic with Dr. Bonow at HMC, at least one Tuesday during the rotation (schedule permitting)
  - General Neurosurgery clinic with Dr. Ravanpay at VAMC
  - Case-based didactics with Dr. Goldstein at SCH.

- Clerkship Sites
  - Students will continue to rotate at Providence Sacred Heart Medical Center in Spokane, Washington and Harborview Medical Center (HMC) in Seattle, Washington. While “HMC” is the named site for the rotation in Seattle, students will also rotate through the Veterans Affairs 9VA and Seattle Children’s Hospital (SCH) as part of each rotation with students at HMC for two weeks and at either the VA or SCH for the other two weeks.
The department is also exploring potential new sites in Montana and Alaska.

- **Assessment**
  - Students will continue to be assessed via a standardized rubric by clinical preceptors. The clerkship plans to formalize time students spend with these preceptors to facilitate more in-depth assessment and constructive feedback.

See meeting handouts for details.

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