



California Health Sciences University

COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE (COM) CLINICAL EDUCATION POLICY

I. PURPOSE

To accomplish the COM's mission, strong and valued partnerships have been established with highly regarded physicians, clinics and hospital systems in the Central Valley of California. CHSU has partnership agreements in place to assure most of the OMS-III and OMS-IV core and selective clinical education clerkships will be completed in the California Central Valley, with a focus on clinical experiences serving these diverse populations including the underserved communities.

II. PROCEDURES

Students must be enrolled in clinical activities throughout the entire academic years of the OMS-III and OMS-IV years. A clinical education curriculum has been established which students will follow, that ensures that students complete the entirety of their clinical education prior to graduation.

The COM Clinical Education staff will establish procedures to determine a system whereby students will indicate their preference for selections of various clerkship training locations and preceptors in a fair manner, at the sole discretion of the COM. As part of the process, students will be surveyed in the OMS-II year for their input into desirability of rotation locations and educated on the upcoming process.

OMS-III and OMS-IV clinical education experiences will have opportunities for education in community health centers in a team-based, interprofessional care model. During core clerkships in the community, students will also participate in on-campus activities that include simulation, Entrustable Professional Activities (EPA) assessment and Osteopathic Principles and Practices (OPP) experiences.

Competency-based formative and summative assessments of student performance will be utilized during clinical education, in addition to high-stakes end of clerkship content examinations.

The robust assessment and assurance of comparability across clinical education sites is delineated in separate policies and procedures.



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