

Conflict of Interest and Grading Policy (MD)

I. Purpose

This Policy sets conflict of interest requirements for student evaluations at Albert Einstein College of Medicine ("Einstein" or "College").

II. Scope

This Policy applies to all Einstein faculty and students.

III. Policy

Health professionals who provide psychiatric, psychological counseling, and/or other health services to a medical student must have no current or future involvement in the academic evaluation or promotion of the student for whom they are providing or have provided those services. Such academic involvement would represent a conflict of interest.

In addition, no healthcare provider who has a relationship with a student outside the realm of academic pursuits (friend, relative, etc.) should be involved in the academic evaluation of that student.

To ensure that no such conflict of interest occurs, the Clerkship Director, Site Leader, and/or any health care professional evaluating the student must sign an attestation on the evaluation form that there is no conflict of interest as defined above. In addition, the student must also attest that there is no conflict of interest.

In situations where emergency medical or psychiatric care is required, there may be an occasional instance when a student must be evaluated and treated by somebody who has had an educational relationship with that student. In these rare cases, the faculty is bound by HIPAA, and will recuse themselves from situations requiring evaluation of the particular student.

IV. Definitions

None.

V. Effective Date

Effective as of: June 27, 2018 Revised as of: April 13, 2022

VI. Policy Management and Responsibilities

The Responsible Office under this Policy is the Office of the Student Affairs. The Responsible Executive for this Policy is Einstein's Executive Dean. The Responsible Officer under this Policy is Einstein's Associate Dean for Student Affairs.

VII. Approved (or Revised)

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Responsible Executive

Date

04/25/2022