

MARSHALL UNIVERSITY
JOAN C. EDWARDS SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
PROVISION OF HEALTHCARE SERVICES TO STUDENTS POLICY

I. Introduction

It is the policy of the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine based upon the recommendations of the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) that all enrolled medical student's health care provider will have no involvement in the academic assessment of or in decisions about promotion of the student.

II. Definitions

From the LCME Structures and Functions of a Medical School, the following standard has been provided:

Standard 12: Medical Student Health Services, Personal Counseling, and Financial Aid Services: A medical school provides effective student services to all medical students to assist them in achieving the program's goals for its students. All medical students have the same rights and receive comparable services.

Element 12.5 Non-Involvement of providers of student health services in student assessment/location of student health records: The health professionals who provide health services, including psychiatric/psychological/counseling services to a medical student have no involvement in the academic assessment or promotion of the medical student receiving those services. A medical school ensures that medical student health records are maintained in accordance with legal requirements for security, privacy, confidentiality, and accessibility.

For the purpose of the policy, health care services is defined as any medical, psychiatric, psychological, or counseling services.

III. Procedure

1. Medical students have the option to seek healthcare services of their choice.
2. In the event a medical student wishes to establish medical professional relationship with a Marshall Health physician, the student must disclose that they are a medical student. The health care relationship will be a mutual agreement that the physician will not be involved in academic assessments or promotions of the patient. All third and fourth year evaluations will include an attestation that "No person contributing to this evaluation has or had a provider relationship with the student".
3. For mental health services, the sensitivity of the relationship is understood, and non-faculty, non-Marshall Health providers are sought. Students can be referred to a local psychiatric service, Midland Behavioral Health. For counseling service, the school of medicine provide ten (10) sessions annually for each medical student with the Cabell Huntington Counseling Service.
4. The Office of Student Affairs is available to assist any student in locating providers.

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