Core Competencies Required for Graduation  
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Medical Knowledge  

Students must demonstrate knowledge of established and evolving biomedical, clinical, epidemiological and social behavioral sciences across the lifespan, as well as the application of this knowledge to patient care.  

Graduating medical students will be competent and have demonstrated  

MK-1 Knowledge of the normal structure and function of all organ systems  

MK-2 Knowledge of the molecular, biochemical and cellular mechanisms related to normal and abnormal function  

MK-3 Knowledge of underlying causes of common disorders and their pathogenesis  

MK-4 Knowledge of altered structure and function (pathology and pathophysiology) associated with various diseases  

MK-5 Knowledge of clinical manifestations of common diseases  

MK-6 Knowledge of pharmacological basis of therapeutics  

MK-7 Knowledge of scientific principles required to practice evidence-based medicine  

MK-8 Knowledge about pain relief and palliative care  

MK-9 Knowledge of ethical principles that govern decision making in medicine  

MK-10 Knowledge of normal and abnormal human behavior  

MK-11 Knowledge of the manner in which people of diverse cultures and belief systems perceive health/illness and respond to symptoms, diseases and related treatments  

MK-12 Knowledge of the non-biological determinants of health and the economic, psychological, social and cultural factors that contribute to health and disease  

MK-13 Knowledge of gender, cultural and other biases that impact delivery of health care  

MK-14 Knowledge of fundamentals of medical professionalism  

MK-15 Knowledge of fundamental principles of preventive medicine and population/public health  

MK-16 Knowledge of fundamental principles of patient centered and team based care, patient safety as well as quality improvement in health care delivery
Patient Care

Students must be able to provide patient care that compassionate, appropriate, and effective for the treatment of health problems and the promotion of health across the life span. Students must be able to utilize all medical, diagnostic, and procedural skills considered essential for the area of practice.

Graduating medical students will be competent and have demonstrated

PC-1 The ability to obtain an accurate, relevant and complete medical history that covers all essential aspects of the history

PC-2 The ability to perform a physical examination that is both complete and accurate

PC-3 The ability to conduct an accurate, relevant focused history and physical in appropriate clinical situations

PC-4 The ability to document a patient encounter that is legible (if applicable), organized, concise, timely and accurate

PC-5 The ability to obtain informed consent for common medical and surgical procedures in a compassionate, professional and efficient manner

PC-6 The ability to perform common procedures utilizing safe and effective techniques and with universal precautions

PC-7 The ability to use knowledge of the most frequent clinical, laboratory, radiographic and pathological manifestations to interpret the results of commonly used diagnostic procedures

PC-8 The ability to construct appropriate common diagnostic and therapeutic strategies for patients with common conditions, both acute and chronic

PC-9 The ability to recognize emergency medical conditions and institute appropriate initial therapy

PC-10 The ability to retrieve (from electronic databases and other resources), manage, and utilize biomedical information to deliver safe and effective clinical care

PC-11 The ability to deliver care in interprofessional teams

Professionalism

Students must demonstrate a commitment to carrying out professional responsibilities and an adherence to ethical principles.

Graduating medical students will be competent and have demonstrated

PB-1 Ethical, responsible, reliable and dependable behavior in all aspects of their professional lives and a commitment to patients, society and the profession
PB-2 Honesty and integrity in all interactions with patients, families, staff, colleagues and others with whom students interact in their professional life

PB-3 Professionalism in dress, grooming, manner of speech and personal interactions with patients, families, staff, colleagues and others with whom students interact in their professional life

PB-4 Respect for the privacy and dignity of patients and their families

PB-5 Compassionate treatment of patients

PB-6 Knowledge of, and respect for other health care professionals, and of the need to collaborate with others in caring for patients as well as promoting population health

PB-7 Knowledge of key principles required for delivery of culturally competent care

PB-8 Professional maturity by appropriately managing conflicts, coping with personal and professional stress and showing flexibility in potentially ambiguous situations

**Interpersonal and Communication Skills**

*Students must demonstrate interpersonal and communication skills that result in the effective exchange of information and collaboration with patients across the life span, their families, other health professionals, and the community at large.*

Graduating medical students will be competent and have demonstrated

IPC-1 The ability to communicate effectively in a timely manner, both verbally and in writing, with patients, patients’ families, colleagues, and others with whom physicians must exchange information in carrying out their responsibilities

IPC-2 The ability to communicate effectively with colleagues within one’s discipline as well as other health professionals in a respectful, professional and timely manner to ensure interdisciplinary and interprofessional delivery of high quality care

IPC-3 The ability to communicate in a culturally competent manner with patients, families and community at large

IPC-4 The ability to apply principles of cultural competence to all aspects of health care delivery
Practice Based Learning and Improvement

Students must demonstrate the ability to investigate and evaluate their care of patients, to appraise and assimilate scientific evidence, and to continuously improve patient care based on constant self-evaluation and life-long learning.

Graduating medical students will be competent and have demonstrated

PBL-1 The capacity to recognize and accept limitations in one’s own knowledge and clinical skills, and a commitment to continuously improve one’s knowledge and ability through lifelong learning

PBL-2 The ability to independently set learning and improvement goals

PBL-3 The ability to incorporate all forms of feedback in identifying gaps in knowledge, skills and professionalism and implement remediation plans

PBL-4 The ability to utilize information technology in improving medical knowledge and delivering care to patients and populations

PBL-5 The ability to identify, analyze and assimilate evidence from scientific research and apply to patients’ health problems

PBL-6 The ability to participate effectively in education of patients, their families and caregivers, other trainees, and other health professionals

PBL-7 The ability to apply fundamentals of basic sciences to clinical problems

Systems Based Practice

Students must demonstrate an awareness of and responsiveness to the larger context and system of health care, as well as the ability to call effectively on other resources in the system to provide optimal health care

Graduating medical students will be competent and have demonstrated

SBP-1 Knowledge of the role and responsibilities of physician and other health care professionals in various models of health care organizations, and the impact of finances/economics on delivery of health care

SBP-2 Knowledge of impact of health care disparities in delivery of health care

SBP-3 Knowledge of economic impact of diagnostic and therapeutic evaluation and risk-benefit analysis in both patient and population-based care

SBP-4 The ability to identify and report systems error as well as identify potential solutions.

SBP-5 The ability to participate effectively in and deliver care in an interprofessional team