Policy Title
Alternative Assignment

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LCME Standards
10.9 – Student Assignment

Scope
University of South Carolina (UofSC) School of Medicine Greenville students and faculty.

Policy Statement
A student may formally request an alternative assignment related to a clinical procedure or encounter for religious reasons only.

Reason for Policy
This policy is intended to protect UofSC School of Medicine Greenville students’ privacy and confidentiality and to promote fair and unbiased evaluation of medical students. LCME requires that a process exists whereby a medical student with an appropriate rationale can request an alternative assignment when circumstances allow for it.

Procedures
A student may formally request an alternative assignment related to a clinical procedure or encounter for religious reasons only. This request must be made within one week of the start of the rotation when clinical skills and encounters are released. The Associate Dean for Curriculum will work with the Clerkship Director to arrange an alternative assignment, if one is available. Otherwise, a student may be excused from the assignment. Medical students are informed at M3 and M4 orientations of the opportunity to request an alternative assignment.

Sanctions
N/A
**Additional Contacts**
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Manager of Academic Affairs and Clinical Clerkship Education
Clerkship Director(s)
Clerkship Coordinator(s)

**Related Information**
UofSC School of Medicine Greenville Student Handbook

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