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I. PURPOSE

SHC/LPCH shall not permit any medical student to perform any service for which a license, certificate of registration or other form of approval is required unless the service is performed as part of a course of study of the Stanford University School of Medicine under the proper direction and supervision of the appropriate medical staff member.

II. POLICY STATEMENT

It is the policy of SHC/LPCH to require that all medical students or unlicensed foreign medical graduates engaged in any patient care activities be supervised by a member of the active SHC/LPCH Medical Staff within a program of supervised clinical training, in compliance with the California Code of Regulations Title 22 section 70705, Title 16 section 1327, as well as the California Business and Professions Code, Sections 2064 and 2104.

III. PROCEDURES

A. Eligibility

For the purposes of this policy, "medical student" is defined as any of the following:

1. A student currently enrolled in the Stanford University School of Medicine as a candidate for an M.D. degree.
2. A student currently enrolled in his or her fourth or final year of an M.D. or D.O. program at a school accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education or by the Education Department of the American Osteopathic Association. Stanford Medical School offers a maximum of three months of elective rotations to visiting students.

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3. A student who is a citizen of the United States, is a graduate of a foreign medical school or has completed all formal requirements for graduation except for internship or social service, and who intends to seek licensure as a physician and surgeon in California may enroll in a program of clinical training under the direction of the Stanford University School of Medicine that has been approved by the State of California Division of Licensing.

A medical student may not participate in patient care activities at SHC/LPCH unless the medical student has enrolled in a clerkship through the Stanford University School of Medicine Office of Student Affairs.

B. Patient Care Activities for medical students in a U.S. medical program

A medical student may perform patient care activities as long as:

1. Any medically related activity performed by the medical student is part of the course of study when enrolled in or registered as a student in a prescribed course of study at Stanford University School of Medicine, either as a regularly enrolled student of the School of Medicine or registered as a Visiting Clinical Clerk.
2. Any medically related activity performed by the medical student is under the proper direction and supervision of a licensed physician credentialed to perform such services at SHC/LPCH.

C. Patient Care Activities for graduates of foreign medical programs

United States citizens who are graduates of a foreign medical school may practice medicine in a clinical training program approved by the Office of Student Affairs as long as:

1. Any medically related activity performed by the medical student is part of the course of study when enrolled in or registered as a Visiting Clerk in a prescribed course of study at Stanford University School of Medicine.

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2. Any medically related activity performed by the medical student is under the proper direction and supervision of an active staff member who holds a faculty appointment at the School of Medicine.

D. Documentation

1. Medical students may document services in the medical record. However, the documentation of an E/M service by a student that may be referred to by the supervising physician is limited to documentation related to the review of systems and/or past, family, social history. The supervising physician may not refer to a student's documentation of physical exam findings or medical decision making in his or her personal note.
2. Medical students will identify their signatures with CC (Clinical Clerk), just as licensed physicians identify their signatures with MD.

E. Orders

Medical students may write orders for drugs or treatment provided that:

1. The order is written under the proper direction and supervision of the medical staff physician;
2. The medical students are assigned to or are consultants to the service caring for the patient to whom the order pertains.
3. A licensed physician (including licensed house officers) countersigns all orders before the orders are executed.
4. The process of obtaining a telephone countersignature is managed and recorded as a telephone order; including the process of reading back the order by the nurse to the physician and documenting "RBVO" (read back verbal order) in the record with the signature, title, date, and time.
5. Medical Students are not permitted to issue verbal or telephone orders.

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- F. Medical students may act as substitute interns functionally, but they are still subject to the above provisions.
- G. Medical students will also wear badges identifying them as medical students at all times while at SHC/LPCH or the School of Medicine.
- H. SHC/LPCH shall not remunerate medical students for medical services rendered.

IV. DOCUMENT INFORMATION

- A. Legal Authority/References
 - 1. California Business and Professions Code, Section 2064
 - 2. California Business and Professions Code, Section 2104
 - 3. Title 22 section 70705
 - 4. Title 16 section 1327
- B. Author/Original Date
- C. Gatekeeper of Original Document
Director, Medical Staff Services
- D. Distribution and Training Requirements
 - 1. This policy resides in the Medical Staff Manuals of both hospitals.
 - 2. New documents or any revised documents will be distributed to Administrative Manual holders. The department/unit/clinic manager will be responsible for communicating this information to the applicable staff.
- E. Review and Renewal Requirements
This policy will be reviewed and/or revised every three years or as required by change of law or practice.
- F. Review and Revision History - SOM
January 2001, E. Wolfe, MD and N. Gesundheit, MD, Stanford University School of Medicine

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October 2003, E. Wolfe, MD, N. Gesundheit, MD, L. Shuer, MD, H. Cohen, MD, Stanford University School of Medicine; J. Hall, RNC, Compliance Department, C. Klove, Chief Compliance Officer
June 2007 Compliance and Privacy Office

- G. Approvals
 - QPSEC – 4/10
 - SHC MEC 5/10
 - SHC Board 5/10

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