University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine

**Policy on Transportation to Clinical Sites**

**I. PURPOSE**

Students will be assigned to clinical experiences at a range of sites. This policy defines students’ responsibilities for commuting to clinical sites.

**II. SCOPE**

This policy applies to:

• Medical students

**III. POLICY**

Medical students are responsible for arranging their own transportation to and from clinical sites.

Students are responsible for making the necessary arrangements to their assigned site. If a student will have an undue difficulty commuting to their assigned site, they may request an alternative site as described in the Policy on Requesting an Alternative Clinical Site Assignment.

Students who choose to drive personal vehicles to clinical sites are responsible for the costs of fuel, parking, and any other personally incurred expenses.

Students who choose to take public transportation or use other transportation services are also responsible for the costs of commuting.

**IV. POLICY AUTHOR(S)**

• Office of Medical Education

**V. RELATED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

• Policy on Requesting an Alternative Site Assignment • Guidance on Transportation to Clinical Sites

**Vl. REFERENCES**

• LCME Standard 10.9: Student Assignment: A medical school assumes ultimate responsibility for the selection and assignment of medical students to each location and/or parallel curriculum (i.e., track) and identifies the administrative office that fulfills this responsibility. A process exists whereby a medical student with an appropriate rationale can request an alternative assignment when circumstances allow for it.

**VII. APPROVALS**

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