

UPSOM Curriculum Committee
Minutes of the 433th Meeting
Dec. 7, 2020

Jason Rosenstock, MD, Chair
Bill Yates, PhD, Vice-Chair

Due to COVID-19 pandemic, the meeting was held virtually using the Zoom platform. All members and guests remotely participated.

Voting Members Present: A. Brown, MD; A. Doshi, MD; B. Yates, PhD; B. Donnell, MD; C. Yanta, MD; E. Ribar, MS4; E. Ufomata, MD, MS; E. Waxman, MD, PhD; G. Hamad, MD, FACS, FASMBS; G. Null, MA; J. Rosenstock, MD; J. Zimo, MS4; J. Duehr, MS2; J. Mocharnuk, MS1; K. Duffy, MS4; L. Knepper, MD; L. Borghesi, PhD; M. Peretti, MS2; M. DeFrances, MD, PhD; M. Schmidt, PhD; ; M. Granovetter, MSTP; M. Sergent, MPH; M. Zhang, MS3; N. Douglas, MS1; P. Drain, PhD; R. Maier, MD, MA; S. Herrle, MD, MS; T. Bui, MD; V. Agarwal, MD

Ex-Officio Members Present: A. Gonzaga, MD, MS; B. Piraino, MD; C. Pettigrew, PhD; C. Lance-Jones, PhD; J. Losee, MD; M. McNeil, MD; R. Buranosky, MD, MPH

Invited Colleagues and Guests: A. Biller, MD; A. Shoukry, MD; A. Serra, MD, MPH; A. Kohli, MD; A. Klein, MD; A. McCormick, MD, FAAP; A. Lentscher, PhD; B. Macatangay, MD; B. McIvor, MD, FASA; C. Pacella, MD; D. DiNardo, MD, MS; D. Becker, MD; D. Johnstone, MD, PhD; E. Reis, MD, FAAP; F. Yates, MLIS; F. Modugno, MS, PhD, MPH; G. Perez, MD; G. Cooper, MD, PhD; H. Pietragallo, MD; H. Cheng, MD, MPH, MS; J. McGee, MD; J. Chang, MD; J. Yanta, MD; J. Maier, PhD, MD; J. Szymusiak, MD, MS, FAAP; J. Childers, MD, MS; K. Scott, MA; K. Maietta; M. Korytkowski, MD; M. Tavarez, MD, MS; M. Nance, MD; M. Teixeira, MD, PhD; M. Massart, MD, PhD; N. Sheenai, MD; P. Zahnhausen; P. Phrampus, MD, FACEP; P. Roy, MD, MSc; Rani Schuchert, MD; R. Van Deusen, MD, MS; R. Powers, PhD; R. Codario, MD; S. Beaman, MD, FASA; S. Gabrielson, MSLIS; S. Truschel, PhD; S. Templer, DO, FACP, FIDSA

Dr. Rosenstock opened the meeting at 4:00pm.

Standing Committees

CCES: CCES meets every Wednesday. Recent activities included review and approval of ROMS and course proposals, new medical student volunteer site review (including a county flu clinic), the creation of the final election slate for Curriculum Committee membership and the building of the idea competition for curriculum reform.

CCQI: CCQI meets monthly. Recent activities included a follow-up conversation on graduate outcomes of peer institutions and a prototype for a possible alumni survey. CCQI also reviewed Domain 3 of Student Assessment indicators.

Social Medicine Theme update: Dr. Ufomata informed the Committee on recent activities including an emphasis on support for LGBTQI students. Morgan Faeder, MD, PhD will be joining the Social Medicine Thread leadership team.

Content Change Request

None.

Step 2CS waiver

The Committee discussed waiving the Step 2CS graduation requirement, since the exam was suspended in March 2020. Students now take our in-house CCA exam, which adequately assesses their clinical skills

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and reasoning, for our purposes. Dr. Reed Van Deusen, MD noted that medical students will need to take Step 2CS during residency for state licensing requirements.

A motion to waive this graduation requirement for the covid-19 transition year was brought before the Committee. The proposal to waive Step 2CS graduate requirement was APPROVED unanimously.

Proposal: Infectious Disease Area of Concentration (AOC)

Bernard Macatangay, MD and Anthony Lentesch (MS1) gave an overview of the proposal for this AOC, particularly in light of the pandemic. The AOC will provide students with a longitudinal para-curriculum that will form a strong background in the field of infectious diseases through various conferences and meetings, mentorship and clinical and research activities. Medical student interest in this area is strong. Activities include weekly Grand Rounds and case conference, journal club, seminars, clinical rotations and research opportunities.

A motion to add the Infectious Disease Area of Concentration to the curriculum was brought before the Committee. The proposal for the AOC was APPROVED unanimously.

Proposal: Substance Use Disorders in General Medical Settings Elective

Payel Roy, MD gave an elective overview. This four-week elective will complement existing addiction electives and will work through both inpatient and outpatient settings, including outpatient Methadone and detox units. This course will be available any month, in-person. Remote opportunities will be designed/reviewed.

A motion to add the Substance Use Disorder in General Medical Settings Elective was brought before the Committee. The proposal for this elective was APPROVED unanimously.

Adult Outpatient Medicine Clerkship Report

Amar Kohli, MD reviewed the new Adult Outpatient Medicine Clerkship. Currently the clerkship is a four-week mix of face-to-face and telemedicine in both outpatient medicine and outpatient psychiatry. A virtual OSCE and Adult Outpatient NBME Shelf act as assessment methods. Grading and outcomes from student evaluations were reported. Dr. Kohli noted some plans for the future to include the use of Student Observation Form, allowing students to choose own preceptors, and adding interview days (with peer-graded make-up work). Dr. Kohli took questions concerning equitable grading and failing grade cutoff for the Shelf exam.

Nominations Committee

Dr. Waxman announced the final slate of 10 Curriculum Committee nominations. Two will be elected. Dr. Waxman noted that there are many opportunities for task forces and subcommittees work beyond full Curriculum Committee membership. Dr. Rosenstock asked that all members review the list and if issues or concerns are found, please voice them or email Drs. Waxman or Rosenstock. All nominees will submit a statement of why they wish to join the Committee. All voting will be done through the Pitt voting system.

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A motion to accept the full slate of Curriculum Committee nominees was brought before the Committee. The proposal for the list was APPROVED unanimously.

The next Curriculum Committee meeting will be Jan. 4 at 4pm. Dr. Rosenstock reminded those in attendance to nominate faculty for the awards announced at the Colloquium on Feb. 11, 2021.

Dr. Rosenstock closed the meeting at 5:15pm.

Respectfully submitted by Gregory Null, recording secretary. Approved by: Jason Rosenstock, MD