

**April 2019**

**LPP 1 Preceptor Update**

Hope you are all enjoying the start the spring as the weather finally warms up a bit.

By now you have hopefully over half of your sessions with your student or students. **If not, please remind your student to set these up. They should complete a total of 11 sessions before mid-May and they also need to fill out checklists on OASIS to get credit for each session.** I hope these are going well and of course you can reach out to us if you feel there are any issues.

The students are hopefully improving some with their history taking and interviewing skills. Last month, the Doctoring and Clinical Skills teachers focused on gathering a nutritional history and also taught the students about opioid use disorders. This month the students will continue to work on taking a complete history and problem solving with the help of standardized patients. In May they will learn about advance care planning and communicating serious news. Would continue having your student(s) work on their oral presentations.

The students have also been working hard on their newly acquired physical diagnosis skills. They had final exams for physical diagnosis in March. In your sessions would consider focusing on the core physical exam: heart, lung, and abdomen.

On a separate note, we are already looking towards next Fall. **We hope you will continue to teach your current student or students after the summer. They would have 6 more sessions during their second year of medical school typically completed between September to December 2019. You will be receiving an email or survey monkey soon about this.**

I hope this information is helpful and again I've attached a link to our course where you can find most of the information you need: <http://www.umassmed.edu/oume/curriculum/longitudinal-preceptor-program/>.

Thank you again for taking the time to teach our students. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

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Sincerely,

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