3/26/2020 - MS3 Updates

Hello all,

You were alerted yesterday that student clinical rotations now are suspended to April 15, 2020. That date may be extended, if conditions warrant, but we remain hopeful that increased coronavirus testing and sufficient PPE inventory will enable students to return to the clinical setting soon.

What does this extension mean?

First, all MS3 students still are enrolled in clerkships and should be actively participating in all remote learning sessions, completing online learning modules, turning in assignments, and logging virtual patient encounters. Note that your grades for these final clerkship blocks will be pass/fail, but clerkship directors still can submit narrative comments with those grades.

Provided that NBME makes remote exams available in time, clerkship subject exams will be given as scheduled for each Syracuse and Binghamton clerkship.

Syracuse students in five-week clerkships in block I (Family, Neuro. Ob/Gyn, Peds, and Psych) will have to do one week of clinical experience at a later date. We will work with students to schedule these weeks at times that take both clerkship and student availability into consideration.

Syracuse students in the ten-week IM clerkship in block HI have completed sufficient in-person clinical experiences due to the earlier start.

Syracuse students in the three-week EM and seven-week Surgery clerkships in block IJ will have to do two weeks of clinical experience (three EM shifts and seven days of surgery) at a later date. We will work with students to schedule these weeks at times that take both clerkship and student availability into consideration.

Binghamton students in the five-week clerkships in block H (Neuro. Ob/Gyn, Peds, and Psych), the three-week EM and seven-week Surgery clerkships in block GH, and the longitudinal Family Medicine clerkship have completed sufficient in-person clinical experiences due to the earlier start.

We have received no further information today regarding Step 2 CS or CK, away electives, ERAS dates, or residency requirements.

Finally, please consider the following Video Conferencing Etiquette when participating in these types of activities.

Test your technology in advance Be on time Wear work-appropriate clothing Mute yourself when not speaking Look into the camera Frame the camera correctly Have the right light Pay attention

Take care!

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