


Saidu Medical College, Swat.

Policy Name:	Clinical Rotation Policy for undergraduate medical student
Policy Approver:	Academic Council, SMC
Policy No:	
Approval Date:	08-02-2023
<u>Definitions & Abbreviations:</u>	
Clinical rotations	The practice of medicine by undergraduate medical students under the guidance and supervision of experienced health professionals and practitioners, during MBBS program.
Clinical Supervisor	Faculty member from each department, nominated for the purpose of streamlining the clinical experience of students in the respective department. Supervisor is the first contact of the students within a department and may or may not be involved in clinical teaching

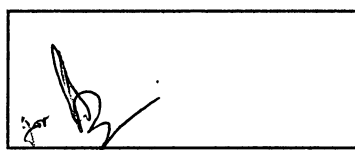
This policy is designed by the Department of Medical Education and approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 08-02-2023 to provide guidance and insight into the structure of clinical rotations for undergraduate Medical Students at Saidu Medical College, Swat.

1. The purpose of clinical rotations is to provide students with hands-on experience in various clinical disciplines, to acquire competencies set by Pakistan Medical & Dental Council in line with the vision and mission of university and institution to prepare them for their future careers as medical practitioners.
2. Clinical rotation placement would start at the level of third year MBBS and continue parallel to in-class teachings, up to final year MBBS.
3. Medical undergraduate students would be placed in different departments through different academic years as follows:
 - 3.1. Third-year MBBS students will participate in clinical rotations in the following specialties: Medicine, Surgery, Gynecology & obstetric, Pediatric, Ophthalmology, ENT, Orthopedics, clinical pathology, Radiology & forensic Medicine/ Casualty.
 - 3.2. Fourth year undergraduate medical students would be placed in the following departments: Medicine, Surgery, Gynecology & Obstetrics, Pediatrics, Ophthalmology, ENT, Orthopedics, Urology, Nephrology, Gastroenterology, Rheumatology & Endocrinology.
 - 3.3. Final year undergraduate medical students would be placed in the following departments: Medicine, Surgery, Neurosurgery, Gynecology & Obstetrics, Pediatrics, Psychiatry, Critical care, Anesthesiology, Pediatric Surgery, Dermatology, Orthopedics, cardiology, pulmonology & family medicine.
4. Based on the number of departments students would be distributed in equal numbers among batches before commencement of clinical rotation in third year MBBS. These batches would remain the same up to final year MBBS.

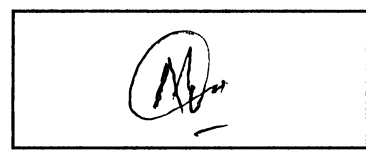
5. During each rotation, student will be supervised by a designated clinical faculty. The supervisor will be responsible for overseeing the students' progress, providing feedback and guidance, and evaluating the students' performance.
6. Clinical teaching would be structured and in accordance with the guidelines set in the logbook.
7. Clinical and procedural skills taught on manikins would be taught in skill lab by respective departments.
8. Reflections would be an integral part of clinical rotation and would be given weightage in total marks.
9. Evaluation of student performance during clinical rotations will be ongoing and will include both formative and summative evaluations. Formative evaluations will be conducted by clinical faculty on daily basis followed by feedback to the student on areas for improvement. Summative evaluations (OSCE) will be conducted at the end of each rotation and will be used to determine the student's overall performance in the rotation and will be given weightage in internal assessment marks.
10. Students are expected to attend all clinical rotations and to be punctual and professional in their conduct. Absence will not be allowed except in the case of illness or other unforeseen circumstances. Students who miss more than 10 percent of any clinical rotation will be required to make up for the missed time as instruction by the Head of department.
11. Student absentees would be dealt with according to student attendance policy of the institution.
12. The health and safety of our students is of the utmost importance. During clinical rotations, students will be required to follow all health and safety protocols as per the guidelines mentioned in the clinical rotation orientation, which is part of the student logbook.
13. This policy will be reviewed and revised as needed by the college curriculum committee on an annual basis to ensure that it remains current and effective.



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