



Sam Houston Regional Education Consortium (SHREC)

CLINICAL AND EDUCATIONAL WORK HOURS POLICY

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SCOPE:

This policy applies to all applicants to Accreditation Council of Graduate Medical Education (ACGME)-accredited Programs at Sam Houston State University College of Osteopathic Medicine (SHSU-COM).

PURPOSE:

To outline the ACGME clinical and educational work hour standards as outlined in the revised ACGME Common Program Requirements and with the Program-specific

Residents/Fellows, the Programs, and SHSU-COM.

To monitor Programs' adherence of their Residents/Fellows with the ACGME clinical and educational work hour standards as outlined in the revised ACGME Common Program Requirements and with the Program-specific

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TRANSITIONS OF CARE

• *Programs must*

- Design clinical assignments to minimize the number of transitions in patient care
- Ensure that Residents/Fellows are competent in communication with team members in the handover process

Faculty and Residents/Fellows must

- Inform patients and family members of their roles in their care

The Sponsoring Institution must

- *Along with the Director...*

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- Must not exceed 24 hours of continuous scheduled clinical assignments

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- Must have at least 14 hours free after 24 hours of continuous scheduled clinical assignments

CLINICAL AND EDUCATIONAL WORK HOUR EXCEPTIONS

A Review Committee may grant rotation-specific exceptions for up to 10 percent or a maximum of 88 clinical and educational work hours to individual programs based on assessed educational needs. A Review Committee may also grant exceptions for up to 10 percent or a maximum of 88 clinical and educational work hours to individual programs based on assessed educational needs.

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LINKED/RELATED POLICIES: N/A

REFERENCES/AUTHORITIES:

Institutional Requirements, Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, 2022 [ACGME](#)