

Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai Medical Student Code of Conduct

As a student of the Icahn School of Medicine, I accept the responsibility and privilege of studying medicine, helping care for patients, interacting with peers, faculty, staff, and colleagues, serving the community, society and the profession, learning from my teachers, and teaching others. I commit myself to upholding the highest standards of ethics and integrity and to act with compassion towards others. I will always strive to maintain the highest level of professionalism. I will adhere to the following standards, which I will apply to my academic studies, scholarly activities, and clinical encounters.

- I will be truthful with patients, families, peers, faculty, staff, and members of the patient care team.
- I will treat patients, families, peers, faculty, staff, and members of the patient care team with respect and dignity.
- I will not tolerate discrimination in patient care or the educational environment.
- I will treat as private patient information received as part of any educational experience.
- If I believe that a patient may be receiving inappropriate care, I will discuss my concerns with a superior or report the incident through established mechanisms.
- I will conduct research in an unbiased manner and will truthfully report results.
- I will adhere to the Honor Code for Exams and Quizzes.
- If I have knowledge of a peer giving or receiving help inappropriately I will bring the issue to the attention of the faculty, the administration, or the ombudsperson.
- I will complete clinical, academic and administrative tasks in a timely fashion.
- My demeanor, behavior, use of language, and personal appearance in the presence of patients, in the classroom, and in health care settings will be appropriate to the setting.
- I will recognize my limitations, admitting when I do not know something, and will seek help when I need it.
- I have an obligation to maintain my mental and physical well-being in order to be effective as a physician, including not using alcohol in any way that could interfere with my clinical responsibilities and not using illicit drugs.
- I will assume an obligation to encourage impaired colleagues to seek professional help and discuss with a supervisor, the administration or ombudsperson as necessary.
- I will not use my position to engage in romantic or sexual relationships with patients or members of their families.
- I will adhere to the above Standards of Conduct when representing the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai.