Student Work Hours Policy

Clerkship Directors disseminate the work hours policy to clerkship faculty and house staff at Mount Sinai and affiliates. The policy is outlined below and is also noted on the clerkship cards. Site evaluations allow students to share their experiences related to work hours. Medical Education reviews the evaluations on a quarterly basis to determine compliance with the work hours policy. Feedback is then provided to the clerkships.

- If a student is required to be on overnight call, then the student is required to be off duty by 9 am the next morning.
- If no overnight call is required on the clerkship, then evening call ends at 9 pm and the student is expected to return the next morning (no earlier than 5 am on any service).
- In hospital on-call frequency: no more than every third night.
- Minimum time off between duty hours: must have eight hours off between shifts including after a 24-hour shift.
- Students are expected to attend to clerkship duties on the day before their Shelf Exam. Clerkship duties should end no later than 5 pm on that day.