## **Affirmative Action Policy**

It is the policy of the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai that all decisions regarding educational and employment opportunities and performance are made on the basis of merit and without discrimination because of age, race, color, language, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, genetic disposition, ethnicity, culture, creed, national origin, citizenship physical or mental disability, socioeconomic status, veteran status, military status, marital status, being the victim of spousal abuse, or based on any other characteristic protected by law.

In keeping with our continuing efforts to achieve a broadening of the representation of women and minority groups throughout the medical school, we have:

- A. Developed an Affirmative Action Program which details actions designed to realize the School's commitment to equal educational and employment opportunities.
- B. Insured our compliance with Federal, State, and Local laws and regulations implementing equal opportunity objectives by meeting the spirit as well as the letter of the law and contractual requirements.

We cannot over-emphasize our commitment to the realization of these goals. Every decision affecting faculty, house staff, fellows, graduate students, employees, medical students, and other members of the medical school community rests solely on demonstrably valid criteria of merit, competence and experience.

Additional information concerning the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai's Affirmative Action Program can be found through the Human Resources Department of the Mount Sinai Health System.