

## **Primary Care Clerkship Influenza Policy & Procedures**

### **1. Prevention**

- 1.1. Students are strongly encouraged to get both seasonal and H1N1 influenza vaccines.
- 1.2. Students are reminded to wash hands before and after all patient contact.
- 1.3. Students should follow the policies of their Preceptorship site regarding use of Personal Protective Equipment (masks, face shields, gown, gloves) when seeing patients with Influenza-Like Illness (ILI).
- 1.4. When possible, students should avoid unnecessary exposure to patients with ILI.

### **2. Exposure**

- 2.1. Students should follow the policies of their Clerkship site regarding exposure to patients with ILI.
- 2.2. Students, as health care workers, should consider chemoprophylaxis or close monitoring and early treatment if flu-like symptoms develop.

### **3. Illness**

- 3.1. Students should follow the policies of their Clerkship site regarding reporting to work with fever or other ILI symptoms.
- 3.2. In general, as health care workers, students with flu-like illness may return after 24 hours free of fever without the use of fever-reducing medicines. Updated CDC recommendations can be found here:

[http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/guidelines\\_infection\\_control.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/guidelines_infection_control.htm)

### **4. Notification**

- 4.1. Students who miss time on the Primary Care Clerkship should complete the Request for Absence form on OASIS and send the completed form to Christie Legler, [Christie.Legler@fammed.wisc.edu](mailto:Christie.Legler@fammed.wisc.edu)
- 4.2. Students excused due to ILI or exposure should also inform Student Services, (608) 263-4920

### **5. Make-Up**

- 5.1. Regardless of illness, students are required to complete the ED-2 core Required Experiences (<http://www.med.wisc.edu/education/md/curriculum/clerkship-experience-requirements/1206>).
- 5.2. Regardless of illness, students are required to complete all Clerkship assignments (small group reports, community project, patient videotape)
- 5.3. Students who miss a small group session will be required to contact their small group leader to review the content and obtain assignments. Please contact Christie Legler, [Christie.Legler@fammed.wisc.edu](mailto:Christie.Legler@fammed.wisc.edu) or 608-263-0427 for details.
- 5.4. Students who miss time on the Clerkship due to ILI or exposure should arrange alternate experiences with their clerkship or site director, if necessary, to meet their learning goals and course objectives.

### **6. Testing**

- 6.1. Students who miss a written exam or SHELF exam will follow the SMPH exam reschedule policy, which states that the exam must be retaken the next time it is offered or on the scheduled semester make-up dates.
- 6.2. Students who miss an end-of-rotation OSCE/community project presentation, will be required to complete these at the next scheduled session. Please contact Christie Legler, [Christie.Legler@fammed.wisc.edu](mailto:Christie.Legler@fammed.wisc.edu) or 608-263-0427 for details.

### **7. Assigning Grade**

- 7.1 Failure to complete all required coursework will result in a temporary incomplete grade until course requirements are met.

### **8 Faculty Coverage**

- 8.1 If faculty are out due to illness, the local coordinator will contact students to reschedule learning activities.

Due to the constantly evolving nature of the pandemic, students should check the clerkship website for periodic updates. [www.fammed.wisc.edu/pcc](http://www.fammed.wisc.edu/pcc)