

## **December 2019**

### **LPP 1 Preceptor Update**

Hope you are all doing well. By now most of you have had a few sessions with your students. I've included some information below to give you a sense of what the students have been exposed to at this point in the curriculum.

The 1st year students continue to practice their interviewing skills including getting a chief complaint and history. They've also had sessions on the following:

- Patient care in a diverse society on 11/14/19.
- Taking a sexual history 11/21/19.
- Doing a geriatric health interview 12/12/19.

Regarding their physical diagnosis skills, the students have had the following sessions since Thanksgiving:

- Introduction to using the stethoscope, taking a blood pressure, pulse, and respiratory rate.
- Heart exam and vascular (checking different pulses)
- Lungs and breast (the latter using a plastic model)

On the horizon in January they will learn how to perform the musculoskeletal exam and abdominal exam.

The semester is winding down with the students focused on their final exams, so they will likely not have time for too many more sessions this semester.

If you have not done this yet, try to find some time at the beginning of next semester to sit down with your students and reflect on the first semester and think about goals for next semester. Also try to schedule the sessions for the spring (Jan through mid-May).

The student will be filling out a self-evaluation and evaluation of their experience in the course in the month of December. Use these evaluations to discuss your student's progress and provide feedback. You will be receiving a link to OASIS later in the Spring to fill out a student evaluation.

I hope this information is helpful and again I've attached a link to our course where you can find most of the information you need: <http://www.umassmed.edu/oume/curriculum/longitudinal-preceptor-program/>

Thank you again for taking the time to teach our students. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

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