

Hi everyone!

Hope you are doing well and sessions are going smoothly with your students. I've included some information below to give you a sense of what the students are doing at this point in the curriculum. I hope this information is helpful to you when teaching the students.

The 1st years continue to practice their interviewing skills and had the following sessions in January:

- Counseling for disease prevention
- Smoking cessation
- Introduction to motivational interviewing

This month they will have sessions on:

- Alcohol risk assessment and counseling
- The mindful approach to patient and self.

In physical diagnosis, the students have had the following sessions in January:

- Musculoskeletal exam of the upper and lower extremities
- Abdominal exam

By the end of February, they will have finished the physical diagnosis course with sessions on the neurological exam, HEENOT (including use of the ophthalmoscope and otoscope), and practice integrating the exam. These sessions correlate with what they are learning in anatomy.

The students then have spring break 2/29-3/8/20. Following this, they have physical diagnosis exams during which they are observed performing an entire physical.

Thank you again for taking the time to teach our students. Your efforts are greatly appreciated. Please email myself Peggy.Wu@umassmemorial.org or our educational specialist, Carly Eressy LPP@umassmed.edu, with any questions or ideas on how we can make this experience better for you and our students. Our course link is: <http://www.umassmed.edu/oume/curriculum/longitudinal-preceptor-program/>

Best wishes,

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