

## **Explore and Focus Phase Track Guideline**

### **Effective 2018-2019 Academic Year**

#### **Background**

The Track program is a collection of clinical clerkships in one region or city. Tracks currently exist in the Patient Care Phase and the fourth year of medical school in the legacy curriculum and are regionally based. Tracks are of significant importance to the region and to students who would like to remain and return to a specific community after graduation. This document establishes guidelines for a Track program in the Explore and Focus Phase.

There is a total of 14 months in the Explore and Focus Phase with one month reserved for interviews and one month reserved at the end of Explore and Focus Phase for Capstone, which allows 12 months for a Track Program.

#### **Explore and Focus Track**

The goal for the Track program is for the community to keep students at their site for as long as possible and for students to remain and return to the community after graduation from medical school.

The Explore and Focus Track:

- Three out of the four required clerkships in the region or city. Any combination of required clerkships meet the requirement.
  - Required clerkships are: Neurology, Emergency Medicine and two advanced patient care clerkships (at least one which need to be a sub-internship)

The total length of the Track Program is 12 weeks. A minimum of three of the four required months would be at the track site and nine months would be outside of the track site.

#### **Process**

The School of Medicine Curriculum office will handle the initial application process and Track admission and oversight will be administered regionally to monitor student enrollment due to the multiple schedule adds and drops.

Expanded students will re-apply for Track each academic year.