## Loma Linda University School of Medicine Competencies Year 3

**Patient Care** - Students must be able to provide patient care that is compassionate, appropriate, and effective for the treatment of health problems and the promotion of health in the context of whole person care.

PC 1-d Obtain complete history in an organized fashion

PC 1-e Obtain a focused interval history

PC 1-f Apply clinical reasoning to focus the history and identify and resolve important missing information

PC 2-e Perform a clinically relevant, focused physical exam in a time efficient manner

PC 2-f Recognize, describe and document abnormal and unexpected physical examination findings

PC 2-g Focus or expand the physical examination based upon the clinical presentation and differential diagnosis

PC 3-b Include an assessment and initial plan in each case presentation

PC 3-d Include an assessment and plan in each case presentation that contains a prioritized differential diagnosis and reflects one's own clinical reasoning (ending year three)

PC 4-d Document patient encounters accurately in history and physical and SOAP notes, including in each note an assessment and plan

PC 4-e Include in each note a differential diagnosis and problem list with an assessment and plan that reflects one's own clinical reasoning (ending year three)

PC 5-b Observe, assist, or perform procedures and skills as appropriate for each discipline

PC 5-c Follow sterile technique

PC 6-c With appropriate supervision, manage patients with acute and chronic illness in inpatient and ambulatory environments

PC 6-d Recognize and use appropriate supervision when needed for patient safety

PC 6-e Interpret results of common laboratory tests

PC 6-f Use information technology to support patient care decisions and patient education

PC 6-g Recognize the impact of health care systems on individual patient care

PC 6-h Explore the application of clinical and translational research during journal club sessions

PC 7-d Identify appropriate instances for referral to a chaplain or spiritual counselor

PC 7-e Demonstrate the ability to appropriately perform a spiritual history as part of patient care

**Medical Knowledge** - Students must demonstrate the ability to effectively source and validate medical information, possess an adequate foundation of basic science knowledge, and apply this knowledge and information to the care of patients using clinical reasoning and problem solving skills.

## Each student must meet all of the medical knowledge competencies before being promoted to their Junior year.

MK 1-d Select the appropriate, evidence-based, therapeutic interventions for managing the illnesses encountered on each of the required clerkships

MK 2-b Explain the important non-biological determinants of poor health and the economic, psychological, social, and cultural factors that contribute to the development and/or persistence of medical illness

MK 2-c Evaluate the health, demographic and socioeconomic characteristics of a medically underserved population

MK 2-d Engage in effective interventions for health promotion and disease prevention

MK 3-b Apply theories and principles that govern ethical decision-making and human values in patient care

MK 3-c Comprehend the major ethical dilemmas in medicine

MK 3-d Apply theories and principles that govern ethical decision-making and the major ethical dilemmas in medicine to the ethical complications encountered on each of the required clerkships

MK 4-b Retrieve biomedical and clinical science information from electronic databases and other resources

MK 4-c Critically appraise biomedical and clinical science information

MK 4-d Comprehend the basic scientific and ethical principles of clinical and translational research

MK 5-c Identify and interpret the diagnostic information (history, physical exam, imaging, blood and urine chemistries, electrocardiograms and pathologic studies) that is needed to accurately identify illnesses

MK 5-d Use problem solving skills to create appropriate differential diagnoses for the illnesses

MK 5-e Utilize biomedical and clinical information for solving problems and making decisions in the care of individual patients

**Professionalism** - Students must demonstrate professional behaviors, attitudes and beliefs that allow patients, colleagues, members of the healthcare team and society to approach each physician encounter with an expectation of trustworthiness.

PROF 1-a Consistently present self in an appropriate manner (e.g., dress, hygiene, language, behavior)

PROF 1-b Optimize personal wholeness by proactively addressing health, behavioral, psychological, physical limitations and/or biases (e.g., gender, cultural) that may interfere with learning and patient care

PROF 1-c Demonstrate respect for teachers and the educational process through adequate preparation, active participation, punctuality and timely completion requirements

PROF 1-d Communicate accurately and truthfully

PROF 1-e Embrace feedback regarding non-cognitive achievement and seek to improve behaviors related to the feedback

PROF 1-f Be responsive to patient needs that supersede self-interest while recognizing the need for personal wholeness

PROF 1-g Honestly acknowledge errors including in clinical situations (e.g. M&M)

- PROF 1-h Adhere to basic bio-ethical principles and human values in caring for patients and in relating to patient's families and others involved in patient care
- PROF 1-i Demonstrate honest and ethical behavior with integrity in required professional activities
- PROF 2-a Demonstrate compassion and empathy to others
- PROF 2-b Treat others with respect
- PROF 2-c Respectfully address differences of opinion with others while continuing a professional relationship with the individual with whom the student disagrees
- PROF 2-d Maintain appropriate relationships and boundaries with others
- PROF 2-e Maintain patient, research subject and student confidentiality, where applicable
- PROF 2-f Provide whole person support to patients and their families (physical, educational, social, psychological and spiritual)
- PROF 2-g Treat patients with dignity, civility and respect regardless of their race, culture, gender, ethnicity, age, socioeconomic status, disability, or sexual orientation
- PROF 2-h Manage conflict and respect patients' autonomy when their values differ from one's own
- PROF 2-i Advocate for individual patient needs
- PROF 3-a Communicate constructive feedback to colleagues (e.g., peer-peer evaluations of teamwork)
- PROF 3-c Comply with instructional requirements and regulatory and professional standards
- PROF 3-d Recognize health disparities
- PROF 3-e Recognize unprofessional behaviors and misconduct in colleagues and seek advice to carry out a sensitive and ethically appropriate response
- PROF 3-f Intentionally seek opportunities to be helpful to the clinical team, including maintaining prompt and appropriate accessibility
- PROF 3-g Demonstrate awareness of the responsibility to promote health at the societal level.

**Systems-based Practice** -Students must demonstrate an awareness of and responsiveness to the larger context and system of health care, as well as the ability to call effectively on other resources, including interprofessional teams, in the system to provide optimal health care.

- SBP 1-c Experience systems infrastructure to provide quality care to patients as part of healthcare team
- SBP 1-e incorporate knowledge about systems to develop a care plan for patients to promote health and treat illness
- SB 3-c Collaborate effectively and respectfully with all members of the interprofessional team

**Practice-based Learning& Improvement**-Students must demonstrate the ability to investigate and evaluate their care of patients, to appraise and assimilate scientific evidence, and to continuously improve patient care based on constant self-evaluation and lifelong learning.

- PBL 1-c Apply the principles and methods of EBM to acquire, appraise, and assimilate new basic biomedical science and clinical information in direct patient care settings
- PBL 1-d Use and value advances in information technology to access evidence at the point of care and to optimize patient care.
- PBL 1-e Integrate new information into the practice of medicine while considering the values, preferences and expectations of the patients
- PBL 2-d Actively seek formative and summative assessment from supervisors and other members of the health care team.
- PBL 2-e Acknowledges personal limitations in one's own knowledge skills, and judgment
- PBL 2-f Use feedback and practice improvement data to reflect and set specific learning goals for self-improvement in the clinical setting
- PBL 2-q Participates in the education of patients, families, peers and other health professionals
- PBL 3-a Know the key principles of quality improvement and explain their importance to patient safety and quality of care

**Interpersonal & Communication Skills** - Students must be able to demonstrate culturally sensitive interpersonal and communication skills that result in effective information exchange and teaming with patients, their families, and professional associates.

- ICS 1-c Establish rapport with patients and families and address sensitive issues, including violence and abuse, in a compassionate and noniudomental manner
- ICS 2-b Demonstrate effective verbal and non-verbal communication skills to elicit patients' perspectives of illness and agenda without bias
- ICS 3-b Communicate effectively with patients and families of diverse backgrounds and cultures, avoiding use of medical jargon
- ICS 4-c Present and document patient information in an organized, accurate and logical fashion, and begin to tailor a presentation to the setting (early year three)
- ICS 4-d Present and document patient information in an organized, accurate and logical fashion targeted to a variety of settings (e.g. work rounds, case conferences, focused or complete) (ending year three)
- ICS 5-b Communicate effectively and respectfully with all members of the interprofessional team

**Whole Person Care** - Through the study and application of whole person care, students will develop a knowledge of wholeness that can be applied to their personal and professional lives and the care of patients.

- WP 1-b Use the LLU model of whole person care and the LLU spiritual history in patient care
- WP 2-c Demonstrate personal wholeness

