Dear Colleagues,

We remain committed to sharing updates with you as they become available. As always, please do not hesitate to reach out to us if you have additional questions.

**Virtual Match Day**
We’re excited about next week’s incredible milestone in the journey of our senior students! Virtual Match Day for our graduating medical students will take place on Friday, March 19th at 8:30 AM. Please see the [event page](#) for additional details as well as links to share with friends and family to follow the livestream.

**Liaison Committee for Medical Education (LCME) Site Visit Update**
We would like to express our deep gratitude to all of you for the enormous effort dedicated to this work. We could not have done this without you and your commitment to teaching, mentorship, and your dedication to creating leaders and physicians of the future. We have an exceptional medical school program, with a lot to be proud of, and will continue to work together to make it even better. Below is a tentative timeline for what will occur now after the site visit:

- A final report will be sent to the LCME Review Committee and is tentatively set to be reviewed at the June LCME meeting.
- The LCME Review Committee will issue a final report in late June/early July that will be sent to the Chancellor and the Dean.

We will continue to keep you apprised on the milestones as they occur.

**COVID-19 Guidance**

**COVID-19 Testing**
Thanks so much to all students enrolled in required surveillance testing for scheduling your testing as outlined in earlier class messages.

**Face Shield Distribution**
All staff, students and faculty may continue to obtain face shields before participating in any patient care or on-campus activities. Please note, you will receive two face shields: **UShield** for clinical use and **iShieldMax** for classes/admin work/meetings/etc. Please bring your ID badge to Materials Management to pick up your shields on Monday-Friday during normal business hours (8:00 AM-4:00 PM) at the following locations:

- Ronald Reagan: B-301
- Santa Monica Hospital: B-415

**Campus Access**
The Center for Health Sciences, Geffen Hall and the Learning Resource Center (LRC) continue to remain closed and are not open for gatherings, studying, exams, etc. For additional information, please visit: https://www.studentaffairs.ucla.edu/guidebook/campus-access.

**Shadowing Experiences**
Shadowing refers to instances in which a student is working alongside a clinician, but not participating in patient care and not part of a required course. We are currently in the process of re-evaluating the status of shadowing experiences. In the interim, given the need to respect social distancing and density requirements in our clinical settings, shadowing is still not permitted.

**Town Hall recordings are available here.**

**Volunteer Opportunities**
**Blood & Platelet Center**
We encourage you to please consider scheduling a lifesaving donation. Additional details can be found here.

**LA COVID-19 Volunteers**
For volunteer opportunities, please see the LA COVID-19 Volunteer’s website for additional information.

**Class Specific Updates**

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**Optional Q&A Session this Friday, March 12th at 2:00 PM**
We will be hosting an optional Q&A Session this Friday at 2 PM regarding 2nd, 3rd, and 4th year scheduling for the Class of 2024. This will be an opportunity for you to ask any questions you have following the “Planning for the Future” email that was sent to you on 1/28/21. Connection details are available on Gryphon and we are look forward to connecting with you then.
| **MS2** | **Block 9 OSCE Will Be In-person**  
You will be required to wear a face mask and wear a face shield to your session. If you need to pick up your face shield, please refer to the Face Shield Distribution section under COVID-19 Guidance above.  
**Curricular Activities May 3 - 7, 2021**  
**Required Clinical Skills 2 Session for Opt-out Students**  
For those of you who opted out of in-person Clinical Skills sessions you will have required in-person activities for one day on May 6 or May 7. Please indicate your date preference by completing this brief survey. Specific details regarding these sessions will be provided shortly.  
**Optional Curricular Sessions**  
We will also offer optional sessions this week. Those sessions will include:  
- General Physical Examination Overview  
- MSK Examination  
- MSK Anatomy  
We will be sending a separate survey in the coming weeks to gauge interest in these topics and solicit ideas regarding additional sessions you may find helpful. |
| **MS3** | **Open Enrollment for MS4 electives: Friday, March 12th at 5:00 PM - Wednesday, March 17th at 5:00 PM.**  
During Open Enrollment:  
- You may drop electives currently on your schedule.  
- You may browse course availability and add electives listed in the catalog as Lottery, under “Initial Enrollment.”  
- There are no wait lists during the free-for all period  
- Open enrollment ends at 5:00 PM on Wednesday, March 17th  
Following this date, the process of adding, waitlisting, and dropping electives will be coordinated by departments. Stay tuned for more details from Katy Wolf. |
| **MS4** | **Match Day Celebration**  
We can’t wait to celebrate with you all next week! Below are a few reminders:  
- The Virtual Match Day event is currently planned to start at 8:30 AM on Friday, March 19th, 2021  
- Students and DGSOM & CDU Deans will all be together in a Zoom (link TBD)  
- At 9:00 AM, students will have the opportunity to be on screen as you look up your own results in the NRMP system (muted in gallery view)  
- All students will have the opportunity to individually share their results live on screen  
- The event will be livestreamed via our web site for family, friends and others in the DGSOM and CDU communities (https://medschool.ucla.edu/current-match-day) |
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All our best,

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