Medical Education Program Policy

Policy Name: Timely Course, Clerkship, and Curriculum Requirement Grade Release

Policy Domain: Assessment

Refers to LCME Element(s): 9.8

Approval Authority: Curriculum and Educational Policy Committee

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1. **Policy Statement:** All course, clerkship and, when relevant, curriculum requirement grades shall be made official and available to the student in a timely manner, and always within 6 weeks.

2. **Reason for Policy:** This policy is intended to ensure the timely processing and release of grades.

3. **Who Should Read this Policy:** All course, clerkship and curriculum requirement Directors, Co-Directors and Coordinators, as well as all faculty responsible for administering summative student assessments.

4. **Resources:** Office of Medical Education – officers (Associate and Assistant Deans) and staff.

5. **Definitions:**
   a. “Grades”: Final course/clerkship/curriculum requirement summative assessments, including any summative assessments required for academic promotion and/or graduation.
   b. “Always”: Without exception.

6. **The Policy:** All course, clerkship and, when relevant, curriculum requirement grades (any summative assessments required for academic promotion and/or graduation) shall be made official and available to the student in a timely manner, and always within 6 weeks. It is expected that grades shall be released within **4 weeks**. When a course, clerkship, and/or graduation requirement Director, Assistant Director, or Coordinator determines that a final grade will not be available to a student within 4 weeks, the Office of Medical Education shall be notified as soon as possible (by contacting the relevant Assistant Dean or the Associate Dean for Medical Education), and steps shall be taken to ensure the posting and availability of the grade within 6 weeks. Any violations of this policy shall be referred to the Curriculum and Educational Policy Committee for review and action.

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