March 14, 2020

Med 4 students

Dear Students,

We wanted to make sure you understood that the mandatory release from clinical duties due to COVID-19 (see below) also applies to your current elective at McGill or another institution. The pandemic has also required McGill to cancel all electives due to start on or after Monday, March 16, 2020.

Thank you very much for your understanding.

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March 13, 2020

Dear Students,

Point of clarification: At the present time, all learning activities, including the ones scheduled in the clinical settings are cancelled. UGME is working on offering certain learning activities online as soon as next week. Thanks for your understanding!

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March 13, 2020

Dear Students,

As you are aware, due to COVID-19, the government has closed schools, CEGEPS and universities for the next two weeks. As a result, McGill has cancelled all in-person classes until March 29, inclusively. However, to make sure you don’t fall behind in your learning, UGME will offer TTR and year 4 Physicianship courses online whenever possible and as soon as possible. Online lectures may begin as early as next week.

Additionally, there will likely be some changes to curriculum delivery and course requirements and assessments over the next two weeks. For example, large group lectures may occur online, or an assignment may replace a small group session. The MDCM Program Committee will meet via Zoom, an online conference platform, to review the proposed course changes for this academic year. While the University is closed, we encourage you to use this time to review your TTR course material and work on your TTR assignments as well as to study for the MCCQE Part 1 exam. We have organized things so that you can do your MCCQE part 1 practice test from home. You will receive a separate e-mail with instructions on how to access this practice test. For more information related to the MCCQE1 part practice test, please contact Lynn Aversa.

The Medical Council of Canada announced today that it has postponed the MCCQE part 1 examination.

Self-isolation
This week, the government encouraged anyone who, as of March 12, 2020, returned from abroad (this includes the United States) to self-isolate for 14 days to help slow the spread of the virus. If you have been travelling and returned to Canada on or after March 12, this directive applies to you. If you do need to self-isolate, please contact undergrad.med@mcgill.ca to inform the UGME Office.

More information about COVID-19 and the University’s directives can be found here, and the Faculty of Medicine specific directives can be found here.

The COVID-19 situation is rapidly evolving. We expect to send updates to you via e-Digest or e-mail as soon as new information becomes available and decisions are made. We encourage you to consult the websites below daily.

Stay informed:

- McGill Faculty of Medicine COVID-19 Updates
- McGill Coronavirus Updates
- Santé Québec
- Info-Santé
- Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC)
- Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) – COVID-10 for Health Professionals
- World Health Organization (WHO)