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Dear Preceptor,

Thank you for your interest in participating in the University of Florida's preceptorship program. A very popular program over the past 25 years, this has consistently been the highest rated course among our students for the first two years of medical school. For a host of reasons, this has been a significantly enjoyable experience for preceptors, both in academia and in the community.

The course, entitled Introduction to Clinical Practice, is part of an integrated curriculum where students are given an opportunity for early clinical exposure.

Our objectives for the one week long preceptorship** (December 7 – December 18, 2020) include the following:

1. Continue practicing interviewing skills (with the goal of students obtaining around 20 independent histories over the full two weeks)
2. Opportunity to practice physical exam skills
3. Introduce our students to strong positive role models early in medical school.

Due to COVID-19, this year's preceptorship will spread the students' clinical experience across two weeks, so each student will get a one week experience

The LCME (the accrediting body for medical education) now requires any physician who supervises a medical student be formally recognized through an affiliation agreement.

There are two forms that must be completed and returned:

- The "AAMC Implementation Letter" (attached)
- The "UF Preceptor Information Form" (attached)

Please return the required documents to the Program Coordinator, Lea Crowley, by email at preceptorship@health.ufl.edu

Upon receipt of the above documentation, we will forward to our contracts department for review and upon completion send a copy of the fully executed agreement to you for to keep on file.

I truly appreciate your time and patience as we transition into this new required process.

Thank you for participating in the University of Florida, College of Medicine's "Introduction to Clinical Practice (Preceptorship) Course". This is an important and critical part of our medical education program and your efforts and support are greatly appreciated.

In addition to reaching out to Ms. Crowley, please feel free to email me with any questions.

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