

## **Medical Student Health Services**

## Policy on Provision of Confidential Care without Conflict of Interest to the

## Student's Academic Standing (reviewed 1/19/23)

Recognizing the sensitive nature of medical and psychological care, the NYU Grossman School of Medicine (NYUGSOM) Student Health Service (SHS) and Student Mental Health Services (SMHS) strive to provide respectful, confidential care to the student body. All visits and communications remain privileged information within the confines of SHS/SMHS. Except in the event of a life-threatening situation, there is no communication with the Dean's office.

Physicians, providers, and staff at SHS and SMHS are not involved in the academic assessment or evaluation of students and they do not make decisions about the promotion of a student.

On occasion, a student might be assigned to clinical/academic rotation at either the private office or Faculty Group Practice of an SHS/SMHS physician or provider. In this situation, the SHS Director or the SMHS Director will be notified and will review the student's medical record to assure that they have not previously received care at SHS/SMHS from this particular physician or provider.

In the event of a conflict, the SHS or SMHS Director will notify the appropriate clerkship director to request an assignment change for the student.

In the event of an emergency situation, in which an alternate provider is not available, the physician/provider will explain to the student the potential for a conflict of interest. The physician/provider will recuse themselves from any situation in which an academic evaluation is required.

SHS/SMHS will not interfere with the rights of the student to employ, on their own responsibility, a physician/provider of the student's choice.