Honor Code

PURPOSE: This code of behavior is designed to assist in the personal, intellectual and professional development of the medical student on the journey to becoming a physician and member of the medical community. All members of the medical community must be accountable to themselves and others.

POLICY: Honor Code

SCOPE: This policy applies to all CMSRU medical students and visiting medical students.

DEFINITIONS: The objective of the Honor Code is to foster an environment of trust, responsibility, and professionalism among students and between students and faculty. Its fundamental goals are to promote ethical behavior, to ensure the integrity of the academic enterprise, and to develop in students a sense of responsibility to maintain the honor of the medical profession.

PROCEDURE: Students will abide by Cooper Medical School of Rowan University Honor Code which aims to foster an atmosphere of ethical and responsible behavior and to reinforce the importance of honesty and integrity in the examination process and throughout the medical school experience.

Student Responsibilities

Students will not:
- Give or receive aid during an examination.
- Give or receive unpermitted aid in assignments.
- Plagiarize any source in the preparation of academic papers or clinical presentations.
- Falsify any clinical report or experimental results.
- Infringe upon the rights of any other students to fair and equal access to educational materials.
- Violate any other commonly understood principles of academic honesty.
- Lie

No code can explicitly enumerate all conceivable instances of prohibited conduct. In situations where the boundaries of proper conduct are unclear, the student has the responsibility to seek clarification from the Office of Student Affairs and or the Office of Medical Education.

Each student has the responsibility to participate in the enforcement of this Code. Failure to take appropriate action is in itself a violation of the Code.

The student must agree to participate in the enforcement of this Honor Code, and prior to matriculation, must sign a statement agreeing to uphold its principles while enrolled at Cooper Medical School of Rowan University.