

TITLE OF POLICY: UNC PA Program Policy Faculty Provision of Medical Care for Students

ARC-PA STANDARD REFERENCE(S): A3.09 The program must define, publish, make readily available and consistently apply policies that preclude principal faculty, the program director and the medical director from participating as health care providers for students in the program, except in an emergency situation.

PURPOSE AND SCOPE:

This policy stipulates that program principal faculty, the program director, and the program medical direct are precluded from participating in medical care of students in the program, except in emergencies.

RESPONSIBLE PARTIES:

- Program Director
- Program Coordinator
- Program Director of Pre-Clinical Education
- Program Director of Clinical Education

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES:

- At orientation and in the UNC PA Program Student Handbook students are advised as to how to seek medical and psychological services at the institution. Often, but not always, students will be accessing UNC Campus Health and psychological services.
- Students must attest that they have read the handbook. Information about accessing care is also available on the program website as well as institutional websites.
- Students are specifically informed that principal faculty, the program director, and the program director (program leadership) cannot participate in their medical or mental health care, except in emergencies.
- If a student should approach a program leadership member seeking their input and participation in their care, the program leadership member will instruct the student to contact UNC Campus Health or their usual provider. The program leadership member will remind the student of available institutional resources.
- If a student has an emergent medical need, a program leadership member can participate in the student's care until the student can be safely and expeditiously referred or transferred to an appropriate resource and provider to assume the care.
- This policy will be reviewed on even number years.

PUBLISHED & COMMUNICATED

- UNC PA Program Policies and Procedures web page: <https://www.med.unc.edu/ahs/unc-pa/students/policies-proceedures/>
- At initial program orientation and prior to starting clinical rotations
- The UNC PA Program Student Handbook.

HISTORY OF APPROVAL AND UPDATES:

- Approved by the Program Director, 7 August 2020