



DREXEL UNIVERSITY
College of
Medicine

The 3rd Year and the Clinical Clerkships:



Guidelines
for Phase 2



OVERVIEW



Academic Calendar – 3rd Year

- **Introduction to Clerkships**

- Required to be in Philadelphia May 24 – July 2nd
- Will have Online, Virtual and In-Person Components at Queen Lane

- **Start dates**

- Block 1 – July 5 (Tues July 6 start) - Block 6 – November 22
- Block 2 – August 2 - Block 7 – January 3
- Block 3 – August 30 - Block 8 – January 31
- Block 4 – Sept 27 - Block 9 – February 28
- Block 5- October 25 - Block 10- March 28

- **Winter break Sat Dec 20 through Sun Jan 2nd**

- **Labor Day is the only 3-day weekend**

- **Refer to the Academic Calendar for all Holidays**

Clinical Clerkships

- Surgery (8 weeks)
- OB/GYN (4 weeks)
- Pediatrics (4 weeks)
- Family Med (4 weeks)
- Inpt Medicine (8 weeks)
- Ambulatory (4 weeks)*
- Neurology (4 weeks)
- Psychiatry (4 weeks)

*no shelf exam for this clerkship

GENERAL RULES





Clerkship Rules

- Clerkships can begin only on the published start date of a block
- Students may request or be required to defer a clerkship for extreme circumstances. (Promotions Committee approval)
- Students must finish all 3rd year clerkships before beginning the 4th year



Clerkship Rules

- There are no days off/sick days during clerkships. (i.e., with permission, you will have to make up any time missed due to illness)
- ALL absences must be reported to the Office of Student Affairs via the DUCOMpass application



Clerkship Rules continued

- Students are not permitted to perform clinical rotations under the supervision of an individual when there may be the *perception of a biased educational experience* (parent/spouse, other relative, significant other, etc). If you believe this situation may exist, identify it now to the Division of Clinical Education for review.
- If you have a partner in the class, you are not permitted to be on the same discipline, at the same site, at the same time. Please identify yourselves now to the Division of Clinical Education. Send an email to rs37@drexel.edu



Transportation

Transportation is required

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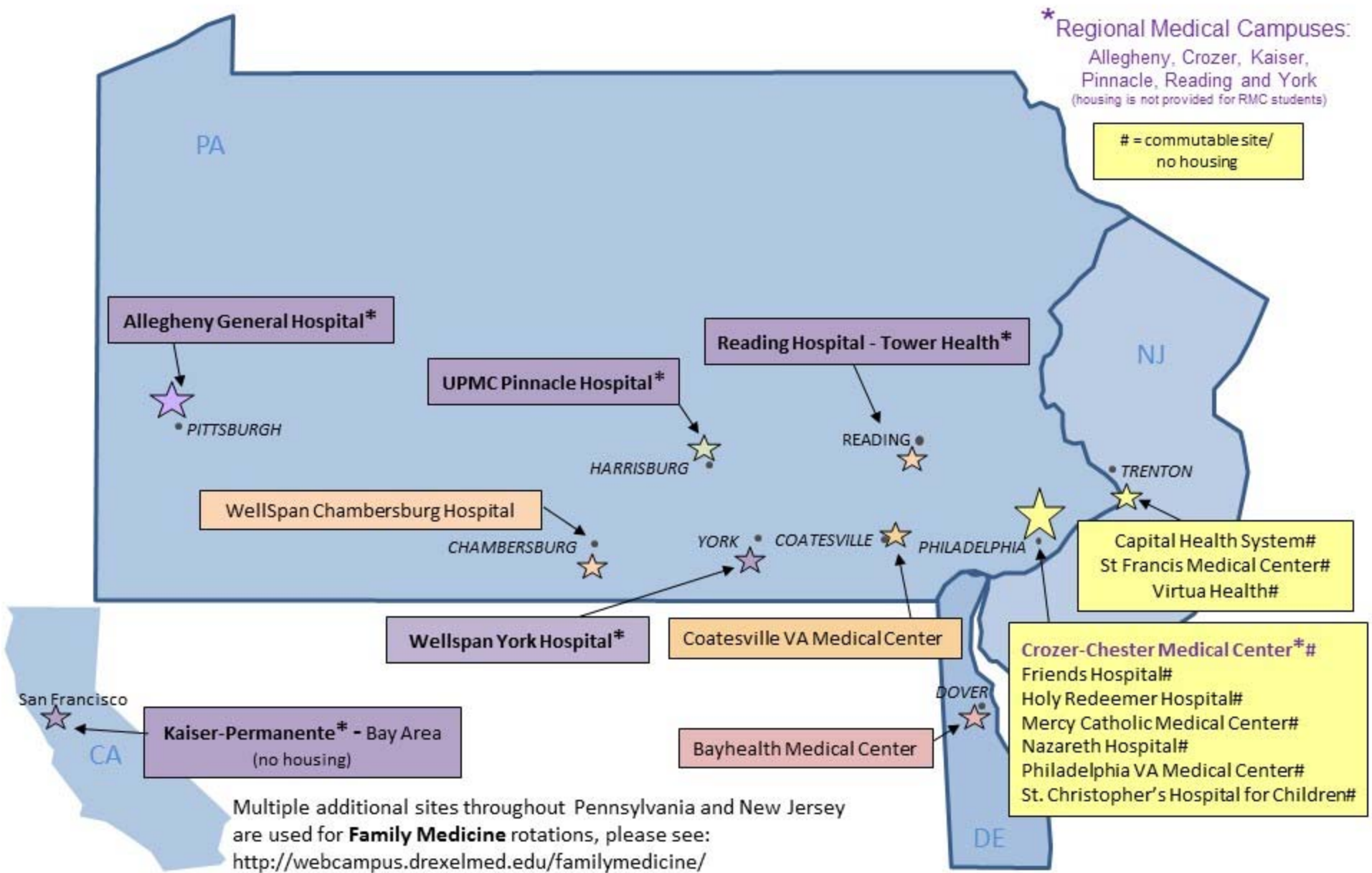
No exceptions.

Anticipate that you will have to travel to satellite offices during your rotations. **Do not** expect that you will be at one site (even RMC students) and not have to be mobile throughout your rotation(s).



Clinical Sites





Drexel University College of Medicine 2021-2022 Anticipated Phase 2 Sites
Sites may change at any time in the best educational interest of students



Clinical Sites

- Provide comparable clinical experiences
 - Patient numbers
 - Patient complexity
 - Conferences, Rounds
 - Site Visits
- *May* provide meals
- *May* provide housing (sites beyond 40 miles unless noted otherwise)
- All Year Students are not provided housing



Housing

- *May* be provided at no charge when 10 or less weeks
- Share a bedroom with same gender roommates
- Share living space with all genders
- Guests are not permitted
- Security deposit may be required
- May acquire alternate housing at your own expense
- Housing is provided as a courtesy and may not be available for last minute requests



Clinical Site Documentation Requirements

- Require physical examination and immunization records
 - *Must be in compliance with posted guidelines*
- Require Child Abuse History Clearance
 - *Must be completed again in April*
- Require Criminal Background/History Clearance
 - *Must be completed again in April*
- Require fingerprinting – updated upon request
- Require TB maskfitting
 - *To be completed Spring 2021 (will need to be clean shaven)*
- Site may require drug screening or more up-to-date clearances
- Drexel will release additional information upon request

Regional Medical Campuses

- Allegheny Health Network - 40
- Crozer- Keystone Medical Center - 30
- Kaiser Permanente - Bay Area - 20
- Reading Hospital - Tower Health - 20
- UPMC Pinnacle Hospital - 20
- York Hospital – Wellspan - 20

*Approximately
150-160 ALL YEAR
OPPORTUNITIES*

Regional Medical Campuses want

ALL YEAR students

- ❑ Build relationships with students
- ❑ Mentor research projects
- ❑ Advise students longitudinally
- ❑ Simplify onboarding

Students Want All Year Campuses

- Build relationships with faculty
 - ◆ Mentorship
 - ◆ Letters of Recommendation
 - ◆ Research
- Be a community member
 - ◆ Hospital community
 - ◆ Greater community
- Simplify life
 - ◆ Know the ancillary services
 - ◆ Know where everything is
 - ◆ Same EHR
 - ◆ No moving



Reasons You May Want to Rank *multiple* All Year Sites

- Rotators will not be “in Philadelphia”, they will be rotating
- Rotators may not be scheduled for all rotations until close to the start date of rotations (i.e., the specific location of the rotation will not be determined until 4-weeks prior to the start date).
- You want to control your living environment and who can visit you (i.e., overnight guests)
- You need to prepare your own meals for dietary reasons, for religious reasons, etc
- You want to ensure you have housing within a specific radius of a religious community, house of worship, etc

Clinical Sites

- Bayhealth
- Brandywine
- Capital Health
- Coatesville VA
- Chambersburg
- Friends Hospital
- Holy Redeemer
- Mercy Health System
- Nazareth
- Philadelphia VA
- St. Christopher's
- St. Francis
- Virtua Memorial

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Reasons to be a Rotator

- ❑ To have exposure to multiple sites
- ❑ To have exposure to different patient demographics
- ❑ To be exposed to different medical record systems
- ❑ To learn how to adapt quickly to different health systems (which you may have to do in residency)
- ❑ Simplify onboarding each block for yourself



LOGISTICS



**Deadline – Monday,
January 11, 2021 @ Noon**

All Year Request Form

You must complete an All Year Request form in order to rank Regional Medical Campuses:

- ⌘ Allegheny Health Network- Pittsburgh, PA
- ⌘ Crozer-Chester Medical Center- Upland, PA
- ⌘ Kaiser-Permanente- Bay Area CA
- ⌘ Reading Hospital, Tower Health- Reading, PA
- ⌘ UPMC Pinnacle Hospital- Harrisburg, PA
- ⌘ York Hospital- York, PA



All Year Request Form

- Complete the form in its entirety
- You are required to complete the Family Medicine lottery separately. FM will attempt to lottery you into a rotation as close to the site as possible, but *this is not guaranteed*.
- You will be notified if your all year request is able to be honored in time to enter lottery choices.
- Sites may choose to not take a student due to a criminal conviction.
- If your schedule needs to be modified at a later date for any reason, your “All Year site” may not be able to be maintained.



All Year Request Process – Part 1

- Students have the option to request to complete the entire year at a RMC with one or more other students; however it is important to note the following:
 - Pairing or Grouping does not give you an advantage, in fact, it can disadvantage you
 - Example: Student A indicates they only want the site if Student D may be placed; however, Student D indicates they want to be placed either way. This may be due to family circumstances, etc. In the scenario below, neither would be placed but there are circumstances where the one could get placed if they “unpair”.

Student	Random Lottery #	How that translates to site lottery	EXAMPLE for explanation purposes TWO slots available
A	87	2	Student indicates they <u>only</u> want to be assigned at the site with Student D (Student A would <u>not</u> be assigned to RMC)
B	223	5	
C	65	1	ASSIGNED TO RMC #1
D	162	4	Student indicates they want to be assigned with Student A but will remain at site even if Student A can't be placed.
E	101	3	ASSIGNED TO RMC #2

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All Year Request Process – Part 2

- Students requesting RMC (all year) placement will be scheduled using the lottery process outlined on webcampus
- If there are Vacant RMC slots after all students that requested a RMC have been exhausted (only sites those students requested will be scheduled), the following will take place
 - Those that requested a RMC will be given first option to fill any Vacant slots
 - Next, all remaining unscheduled class members will receive a new lottery number. Those with the lowest number will be assigned into a Vacant RMC slot. If there are any choices, they will be given the opportunity to rank.



Special Needs Requests

- Requests, due to disability, must be accompanied by an Accommodation Verification Letter (AVL) issued by the Office of Disability Services – DO NOT RELEASE SPECIFIC INFORMATION TO DEAN'S OFFICE
- Primary caregiver
- **Request must be in writing.** Complete and return form to Division of Clinical Education by
 - **Tuesday, January 5 @ Noon**



Special Needs Requests

- Requests will be reviewed by a Deans Committee
- Priority assigned as appropriate
- Enter your lottery choices consistent with request
- **Deadline – Tuesday, January 5 @ Noon**

Contact *Division of Clinical Education* if you do not understand any of the above. It will be too late to change after the lottery is run.



Communication

- E-mails from personal mailboxes should not be used for communication to administrators, faculty or staff at Drexel University College of Medicine or any clinical affiliates at any time.
- Your drexel.edu account is your official email.



Questions

Questions may be addressed
to the Division of Clinical Education
clinicaleducation@drexel.edu