



## **Undergraduate Medical Education** ***PROFESSIONAL CODE OF CONDUCT AND ETHICS***

Kingsbrook Jewish Medical Center (KJMC) expects its students to adhere to the highest standards of ethical and professional behavior in every aspect of their lives, as expected of medical professionals. Students shall conduct all aspects of their lives with honesty, integrity, and respect for others. Failure to do so may result in disciplinary action, including dismissal from the program.

Cheating (whether on examinations or with laboratory data), theft (whether from the hospital or from fellow students), and plagiarism will not be tolerated and can lead to expulsion from the program and any additional disciplinary action by the student's medical school.

A student found cheating on an examination receives a grade of **zero** for that examination, and is subject to dismissal from the program and any additional disciplinary action by the student's medical school.

All students must bring the official KJMC ID badge to all exams. If a student suspects a fellow student of cheating during an exam, the student should discreetly alert an exam proctor. No bags or books may be brought into the examination room. Final and make-up examinations must be returned and they may not be removed from the examination room. If a student is ill and unable to attend the exam, he/she must produce a doctor's letter and inform the program director or the administration at the earliest opportunity.

Medical students shall demonstrate professional behavior that would be expected of a physician, including, but not limited to:

- (1) being truthful in carrying out educational and clinical responsibilities, never falsifying information or purposefully misrepresenting a situation;
- (2) being punctual, reliable, and conscientious, in fulfilling professional duties;
- (3) maintaining confidentiality of information concerning patients, and refraining from discussing cases, except under appropriate circumstances;
- (4) not participating in patient care under circumstances in which they are under the influence of any substance, or other condition, which might impair their ability to function;
- (5) maintaining professional hygiene, demeanor, and appearance when in a patient care setting;
- (6) accepting the responsibility to review plans or directives for patient care with the attending physician if the student, after careful consideration, believes that these plans or directives are not in the best interest of the patient;
- (7) clearly identifying him/herself as a medical student in patient care settings, and respecting civil laws, hospital rules, and University rules governing the conduct of students;
- (8) when students are on hospital premises or participating in hospital activities they must at all times display their KJMC ID badge;
- (9) not be in possession of alcoholic beverages, knives, switchblades, firearms or illicit drugs when on hospital premises or involved in KJMC-sponsored activities;
- (10) showing compassion and respect for themselves, their colleagues, faculty, and patients who participate in their education.

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