

Supervision of Students

The SOM has a policy that all clinical experiences are supervised by appropriate clinical faculty. A physician, nurse or other health care provider must be present in the room as a chaperone when students examine patients of all genders. This is especially true for examinations of the breasts, genitalia or rectum. Student orders in the chart or electronic medical records must be authorized and countersigned by a physician. Minor procedures may be performed on patients after adequate instruction has been given as permitted by hospital policy and regulations. Students working in hospitals are protected by liability insurance which is carried by SGU. Students must soon become familiar with the electronic medical record or patients' charts and know where to locate its individual components. Students are responsible for patient workups and might also write daily progress notes as stipulated by the SGU clerkship curriculum and hospital policy.