POSITION DESCRIPTION
Medical Director

Medical University of South Carolina
Division of Physician Assistant Studies

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The responsibilities of the Medical Director for the Division of Physician Assistant Studies (PAS) will be assigned by the PAS Program Director with input from the Chair of the Department of Health Professions and the Dean of the College of Health Professions. The overarching goal of the Medical Director will be to support the Program by providing knowledgeable medical guidance for the clinically-related program components, so that both didactic and supervised clinical instruction meet current standards of care and of medical instruction. The Medical Director should provide regular, competent medical guidance for those portions of the curriculum in which PA students learn, develop, and practice the knowledge and skills essential to successful professional interactions with physicians in the medical workplace. The Medical Director will provide guidance for the professional development of the Program’s students. The Medical Director will consult with the Program Director and others to support the Program. Additionally, the Medical Director should actively elicit the understanding and support of practicing physicians in the local and state-wide community.

Qualifications

1. Must be a licensed physician (MD or DO) with a minimum of 3 years practice experience, preferably in a primary care practice;
2. Must have a record of professional, academic and administrative achievement;
3. Should have experience with clinical education, preferably with physician assistants;
4. Must have knowledge and vision about the role of physician assistants;
5. Must have a strong commitment to achieve the missions of the PAS Division, the College of Health Professions, and the Medical University of South Carolina.

Reporting

The Medical Director reports to the PAS Program Director. Performance evaluations will be conducted by the Program Director with input from the Chair and Dean.

Principle Duties (10 - 20% effort; duties commensurate with % effort)

1. Serve as a member of the Clinical Curriculum Committee and the Didactic Curriculum Committee.
   a. Contribute to curricular design, implementation, coordination and evaluation.

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2. As needed, consult with the Program Director and Academic Progress and Professionalism Committee (APPC) on issues of student academic performance or professionalism.

3. Promote the PAS Program within the University and the Medical Profession of South Carolina.

4. Consult with and support decision making of PD as needed.