



Cooper Medical School of Rowan University

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Dear Students, Faculty & Staff,

This afternoon, the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) and the Liaison Committee for Medical Education (LCME) strongly recommended that, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, medical schools across the country temporarily suspend students' participation in any activities that involve patient contact. **Therefore, effective immediately, Cooper Medical School of Rowan University is halting all student clinical experiences, including clerkships, work in the Cooper Rowan Clinic, CLIC activities, and all community outreach programs.** This suspension will last through March 31, at which time the situation will be reassessed.

The AAMC has asked all medical schools to have a uniformed response of suspending clinical activities for their medical students. This will allow schools to adjust educational programming, conserve PPE, and support public health initiatives such as social distancing to "flatten the curve" of the pandemic.

Dr. Sundip Patel will circulate plans for educational programming that our M3 students, and M4 students who still have to fulfill requirements, can accomplish from home so that they can still receive credit. We will continue to monitor the situation and make adjustments as appropriate.

Thank you for patience as we navigate this unprecedented situation.

Sincerely,

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