

SÜLEYMAN DEMİREL UNIVERSITY
FACULTY OF MEDICINE
Education Program Evaluation Board (E.P.D.K.)

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date	10 February 2020
Venue	Meeting Room A, Dean's Office Building

DECISIONS

The Süleyman Demirel University Education Program Evaluation Board (SDÜTF-EPDK) convened on 10 February 2020 in Meeting Room A of the Dean's Office Building under the chairmanship of Prof. Dr. Alim KOŞAR, with the participation of board members and faculty members of the Department of Pediatrics. At the meeting:

1. The Department of Pediatrics stated that the Term 4 course program was very intensive and congested, and requested that the clerkship, which was 9 weeks, be extended to 10 weeks. It was proposed that the departments with clerkships in Term 4 could be rotated in four 10-week blocks: (1) Internal Medicine — 10 weeks; (2) Pediatrics — 10 weeks; (3) Obstetrics and Gynecology (6 weeks) + Cardiology (3 weeks) + Cardiovascular Surgery (1 week) -> total 10 weeks; (4) General Surgery (8 weeks) + Pediatric Surgery (2 weeks) + Plastic Surgery (1 week) -> total 11 weeks. It was decided that the department concerned would be consulted in order to adjust the clerkship duration of this fourth group, whose total was 11 weeks, down to 10 weeks.
2. A request was conveyed to the department that, in order to strengthen the Evidence-Based Medicine (EBM) corridor, and to accommodate student projects, occupational health and safety, and the transfer of the electronic patient information management system to students, the hours between 15:00 and 17:00 every Thursday be left free in the Term 4 and Term 5 programs. It was stated that this would not be possible if the clerkship continued to be 9 weeks, but that it could be implemented if it were extended to 10 weeks.
3. It was observed that the learning objectives and skills that the Department of Pediatrics expects students to acquire during the clerkship are clearly specified in the clerkship guide, that students are assessed in the examination on this knowledge and these skills, and that it is documented that, throughout the clerkship, students prepare at least 6 patients under the supervision of the chief resident.
4. It was observed that the end-of-clerkship assessment is conducted through a bedside practical examination together with a multiple-choice test, that the examination is structured, and that what the student is expected to do and how many points will be awarded in each case are clearly defined.
5. It was determined that, during the clerkship, students carry out an Evidence-Based Medicine (EBM) practice session on 2 scenarios together with a faculty member, in which the collection of scientific data and its application are explained.
6. It was observed that the sessions listed in the program as practical training are structured both on the ward and in the outpatient clinic, that in both settings students are divided into groups of 8 and carry out practice together with a faculty member, and that this practice is clearly set out in the clerkship guide. It was determined that each student goes through the clerkship knowing, from beginning to end, on which day, at what time, where, with whom, and in which activity they will be participating.

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL

1. It was understood that the morning hours listed in the clerkship program as practical training are, in fact, "self-directed learning" time set aside for students to prepare before practical application. In order to ensure that this is monitored within the program, it would be appropriate to change the name of the morning "Practical Training" hours to "Structured Independent Study Hour."
2. If the clerkship is extended to 10 weeks, it would be appropriate to leave the hours between 15:00 and 17:00 every Thursday free, to be allocated to EBM and similar activities.

ATTENDANCE

Prof. Dr. Alim KOŞAR — Attended
Prof. Dr. Tolga ATAY — Attended
Assoc. Prof. Dr. Kanat GÜLLE — Attended
Prof. Dr. Münire ÇAKIR — Attended
Prof. Dr. Ersin USKUN — Attended
Assist. Prof. Dr. Giray KOLCU — Attended
Assist. Prof. Dr. İnci KOLCU — Attended
Prof. Dr. Hasan ÇETİN — Attended
Prof. Dr. M. Özgür PİRGON — Attended
Assoc. Prof. Dr. Gonca SANDAL — Attended
Assist. Prof. Dr. Mahmut KESKİN — Attended
Assist. Prof. Dr. Müjgan ARSLAN — Attended