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## **Patient Care Supervision**

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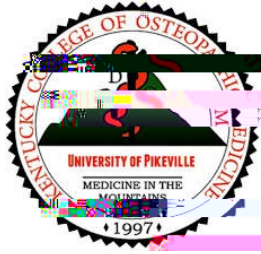
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### **Purpose**

In order to ensure patient safety in clinical learning situations, osteopathic medical students from University of Pikeville – Kentucky College of Osteopathic Medicine (KYCOM) are under the supervision of a licensed health care professional in all situations in 5.35.354 all in enon iprof

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may hold. Students should never provide care beyond what is appropriate for their level of training, even under supervision.

### **Preceptor Guidelines**

KYCOM places its students at clinical education training sites for the clinical component of their medical education. All clinical education sites should provide and maintain an environment conducive to the education of osteopathic medical students, and encourage critical dialog between preceptors and students. In addition, preceptors should assist students in obtaining experience in patient care by allowing them to share responsibility with qualified staff and physicians.

### **Osteopathic Manipulative Treatment Community Services**

KYCOM students are involved in patient care activities as part of the KYCOM Osteopathic Manipulative Treatment (OMT) clinic. This is a free clinic which provides osteopathic manipulative treatment to the community and surrounding areas. As a part of KYCOM osteopathic medical education, students provide osteopathic manipulative treatment to patients under the supervision of an assigned clinical faculty member.

In addition, students occasionally provide osteopathic treatment during community events under the supervision of an assigned clinical faculty member.

All patients are required to sign an informed consent form acknowledging understanding that treatment will be provided by students under physician supervision.

### **Related References**

[KYCOM Clinical Rotations Manual](#)

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