GUIDELINES FOR ANATOMY LABORATORY ACCESS AND UTILIZATION BY REGISTERED STUDENTS IN FORMAL COURSES

The purpose of this document is to set forth guidelines for anatomy students to access and utilize the Anatomy Laboratory located in Room 360 Scaife Hall in the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine.

Access to and utilization of the Anatomy Laboratory is restricted to students in courses in degree-granting programs that include an anatomy laboratory component in the University of Pittsburgh Schools of the Health Sciences. Access may also be given to those participating in certificate-granting programs of the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center and authorized clinical training that includes cadaver labs.

The utilization of cadavers and cadaveric material provides students with education and training that is invaluable to their understanding of human anatomy and that will enhance their surgical and clinical skills. The same respect and privacy that are afforded to medical patients must also be afforded to cadavers and cadaveric material by those who are privileged to use them.

The following criteria are to be strictly followed:

1) Access will be granted to faculty, students and other personnel who must be in the lab for formal educational and training purposes, including graduate students, residents and fellows, and specified staff members who are charged with maintaining the facility. Students must be enrolled in courses that utilize the Gross Anatomy Laboratory. Key cards are provided through the School of Medicine Office of Student Affairs.

2) Access may be granted to other personnel, including staff from Facilities Management, Information Technology, Environmental Health & Safety, etc., who may require access to provide required servicing of the facility and equipment; these personnel must carry University or UPMC ID with them at all times.

3) Requests for entry by persons unauthorized to access the lab must be presented to the faculty instructor or the Laboratory Manager. Each request will be evaluated based upon the reason given for needing access, and
authorization may be granted on a case by case basis. High school aged or younger children are prohibited from entering the Anatomy Laboratory at any time.

4) Unauthorized persons are prohibited from entering the lab at any time. Attempts to gain access will be considered a breach of professional conduct and may be subject to disciplinary action.

5) The use of cameras, video equipment or cell phone cameras in the laboratory is strictly prohibited.

6) Laboratory safety must be observed at all times, and all users must exercise appropriate precautions when utilizing cadavers and cadaveric material. The following document entitled, “Gross Anatomy Safety Procedures,” specifies the practices which must be followed in the laboratory.