OFFICE FOR OVERSIGHT OF ANATOMIC SPECIMENS
UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH
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UPMC

CADAVER CLINICAL TRAINING AND RESEARCH LABS

GUIDELINES FOR ANATOMY LABORATORY ACCESS AND UTILIZATION

The purpose of the Guidelines below are to set forth criteria for accessing and utilizing the Anatomy Laboratory, Room 360, Scaife Hall, University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine.

Access to, and utilization of, the Anatomy Laboratory is restricted to approved clinical training and research labs for which human anatomic specimens have been procured through the Humanity Gifts Registry Program or an approved external supplier in accordance with established Policy and Guidelines.

Labs will not be scheduled during the months of August through October and January through April when gross anatomy labs are in session.

The utilization of cadavers and cadaveric material affords faculty, staff and trainees with a gift that is invaluable to their understanding of human anatomy, in enhancing surgical and clinical skills, and in the furtherance of clinical research. Just as respect and privacy are mandated for medical patients, the same are due to cadavers and cadaveric material by all who participate in their utilization. Therefore, the following criteria are to be strictly followed:

1) Access will be authorized only to faculty, staff and trainees of the University of Pittsburgh and UPMC who are required to be present for the approved lab.

2) Physicians, trainees and other health care professionals who are external participants of a clinical training lab must be listed on the required Anatomic Specimen Request form submitted to the Office for Oversight of Anatomic Specimens, as well as any invited industry representatives. Additionally, all representatives from pharmaceutical, biotech, hospital equipment or medical device companies must provide a certificate that the
required Industry Relationships training module has been completed, in accordance with University of Pittsburgh and UPMC Policies.

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.

3) Course Directors and Principal Investigators must provide all equipment, instrumentation and disposables needed for the lab.

4) Laboratory safety must be observed at all times, and everyone must use universal precautions at all times while participating in activities utilizing cadavers and cadaveric material.

5) Faculty, staff, trainees and external participants must be able to provide, upon request, documentation that they have undergone required EH&S training on Bloodborne Pathogens.

6) Faculty, staff, trainees and external participants must be able to provide, upon request, documentation that they have undergone required EH&S training on Formaldehyde Awareness.

7) University of Pittsburgh EH&S should be contacted prior to scheduled sessions to coordinate formaldehyde monitoring during the actual sessions.

8) Use of cameras, including cell phone cameras, and video equipment is strictly prohibited. They may not be brought into the lab at any time, unless permission has been granted in advance through the Office for Oversight of Anatomic Specimens. If permission is granted, then established institutional procedures must be followed.

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