GUIDELINES FOR ANATOMY LABORATORY ACCESS RELATING TO TOURS BY PROSPECTIVE MEDICAL STUDENTS

This document sets forth guidelines for tours conducted for prospective medical students through 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. Because of their intention to enter medical school within the next year, a special exception has been granted to allow tours of the laboratory by prospective medical students. These tours must be conducted by University of Pittsburgh Medical Student volunteers who have been instructed regarding proper conduct in the laboratory and who are authorized to give such tours.

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 student tour guides must explicitly inform the prospective students that use of cameras, video equipment or cell phone cameras in the laboratory is strictly prohibited. No photographs whatsoever can be taken in the laboratory. Failure to follow this directive will be considered a breach of professional ethics. The University of Pittsburgh reserves the right to take further action against anyone who violates this policy.