I. **PURPOSE**
The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for duty hours.

II. **SCOPE/COVERAGE**
The policy applies to all students in clinical rotations.

III. **POLICY STATEMENT**
In order to provide sufficient time for reading and study, clinical clerkships and course directors should provide student schedules for on-site clinical and educational activities in advance.

IV. **PROCEDURE**
The duty hour guidelines are as follows:

- Duty hours are defined as all clinical and academic activities related to the program; i.e., patient care (both inpatient and outpatient), administrative duties relative to patient care, the provision for transfer of patient care, time spent in-house during call activities, and scheduled activities, such as conferences.

- Duty hours do not include reading and preparation time spent away from the duty site.

- CNUCOM duty hours for students follow the ACGME (Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education) recommendation and guidelines for duty hours as published for first-year residents.

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REVIEW: This policy will be reviewed every three years or more often as needed
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