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To: MD Program Faculty, Residency Program Directors; Fellowship Directors; Clinical Department Chairs, Vice Chairs Education; PGME learners.
Cc: Program Administrators, Business Officers

Dear all,

As we embark on a new year, I wanted to reach out with a number of updates concerning an important initiative in medical education at the Temerty Faculty of Medicine: the Learner Assessment of Clinical Teachers (LACT) tool.

The LACT is now the primary tool used to assess clinical teaching for both the MD Program and all PGME Programs (residency and fellowship) and is available for use in MedSIS for MD learners, POWER for PGME learners and Elentra (for PGME learners only)

The LACT was designed to be used as a "low-stakes" formative assessment for clinical teaching. Reporting on serious incidents should occur through other mechanisms such as the Learner Mistreatment Disclosure and Reporting Portal, and/or through other recognized contacts within a Program, Course, Department, Academy, site, etc.

On-Demand Access to the LACT

The LACT form is now available as an "on-demand" form on Elentra for all PGME programs and PG learners. While completion of the LACT form in MedSIS and POWER (for MD and PGME, respectively) is required at the end of each clinical training unit or rotation, PGME learners also have the option to complete an "on-demand" LACT assessment at any time in Elentra.

The on-demand form can be accessed by PGME learners using their UTORID and password. Instructions for accessing Elentra can be found here. Instructions for completing a LACT in Elentra can be found at the Elentra help site or with this instructional document found here.

The on-demand LACT in Elentra can be used to assess faculty, non-faculty clinical teachers, as well as other PG learners (residents and fellows) registered with PGME at U of T.

Reporting on LACT Results

Reports and interactive dashboards are now being made available to Clinical Departments to display the results of completed LACT assessments for clinical teachers. Chairs, Vice Chairs Education, as well as others responsible for faculty performance, will have access to the interactive dashboards. Individual teacher reports will also be provided to Clinical Departments for distribution in PDF format. Reports will be generated if they meet the threshold of a minimum of three LACT assessments for the 2021-22 academic year. Reports and dashboards are being made available to clinical departments in early 2023. PGME and the MD program will work with individual departments to facilitate streamlined distribution of individual teacher reports (e.g., by site and/or by division, where applicable).

Tools and Resources to Support Clinical Teachers

In addition to reports on LACT results for Departments and individual teachers, a number of resources are available to support clinical teachers both through the Temerty Faculty of Medicine and the Centre for Faculty Development

Lastly, we are also sharing a Q&A document addressing frequently asked questions regarding the LACT implementation and reporting.

Any specific questions regarding the implementation or reporting of the LACT, can be addressed to Dr. Linda Probyn (linda.probyn@utoronto.ca), Caroline Abrahams (caroline.abrahams@utoronto.ca) or Dr. David Rojas (David.rojas@utoronto.ca).

Sincerely,

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