

Student Identification Policy

APPLIES TO: Students

BACKGROUND:

ARC-PA Standard A3.06 states the program must define, publish, make readily available and consistently apply a policy that PA students must be clearly identified in the clinical setting to distinguish them from other health profession students and practitioners.

PURPOSE:

To ensure compliance with ARC-PA standard A3.06 students in the clinical setting during the Clinical year and Mentorship time will properly identify themselves as CMU Physician Assistant Students.

POLICY:

Students are forbidden to wear a ¾ length white lab coat and must wear the short white lab coat complete with the CMU PA Program patch and name tag clearly identifying him/her as a Physician Assistant Student during any time at a clinical year site. (ARC Standard A3.06 - The program must define, publish, make readily available and consistently apply a policy that PA students must be clearly identified in the clinical setting to distinguish them from other health profession students and practitioners).

PROCEDURE:

CMU PA students in mentorship, clinical year, and/or all clinical settings will abide by the CMU PA Student Identification Policy by wearing a short lab coat with the CMU PA Program patch and a name tag with clear identification. If a clinical setting/site asks them not to wear a white coat (common in Pediatrics), they will still wear clear identification (badge) showing that they are a PA student/medical learner.

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