

**Student - Policy on Patient Information Release  
(HIPAA)**

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**Policy Category: General Administrative**

**Policy Owner: Associate Dean for Student Affairs**

**Policy Audience: Student Council, Faculty**

**1. Definitions:**

**2. Medical Curriculum Committee**

Date of last review: April 27, 2021

**3. Introduction / Purpose:**

The Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine is committed to providing patients with the highest quality of care and to following all of the various rules, regulations and standards designed to protect patient rights.

**4. Governance and Enforcement:**

Associate Dean for Student Affairs

**5. Policy:**

GCSOM is committed to protecting patient rights under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). This act guarantees a patient's right to maintain health insurance upon changing jobs, their right to have their health information protected from unnecessary use or disclosure without authorization, their right to access their records and their right to have their health information kept in a safe and secure manner while being maintained or while being used or transmitted electronically from one location to another. All MD students will be required to be trained each year.

**6. Key Stakeholders :**

Student Council, Faculty