1. General Policy Statement

LCME Standard 12.5: *The health professionals who provide health services, including psychiatric/psychological counseling, to a medical student have no involvement in the academic assessment or promotion of the medical student receiving those services, excluding exceptional circumstances. A medical school ensures that medical student health records are maintained in accordance with the legal requirements for security, privacy, confidentiality, and accessibility.*

In accordance with this standard, all medical students will have confidentiality when accessing both health and psychiatric/psychological services at UNLV. The UNLV Student Health Center (SHC), Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS), and Behavioral Health Team (BHT) maintain HIPAA-compliant electronic health records that are separate from, and not accessible to, providers who do not work in these environments.

No faculty member of the School of Medicine will be involved in the assessment or promotion of medical students to whom they provide medical services, except under exceptional circumstances where no realistic alternative exists.

2. Responsible Department/Party/Parties

   a. Policy Owner: Student Affairs & Admissions, Academic Affairs

   b. Policy Supervision: Student Affairs & Admissions

3. Definitions

   HIPAA: *Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act – 1996 law that regulates the use and disclosure of protected health information.*

4. Review of the Policy

   This policy shall be reviewed annually from the effective date.

5. Distribution of the Policy

   Posted with other academic policies.