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STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

As a medical student you are embarking on a career in a profession which requires of its members high standards of ethical conduct and honesty. It is expected that each student will make a personal commitment to abide by a standard of behavior that will establish a firm foundation for future professional conduct and respect for the academic environment of Tufts University School of Medicine. This requires avoidance of any form of intellectual dishonesty as well as the demonstration of respect for the rights and well being of others, including all students, faculty, staff, patients, and other members of the Medical School community. Tufts students are expected to be responsible citizens not only of the Tufts community but also the greater community. Students are expected to comply with all university policies, local ordinances, and state and federal laws. Students are expected to avoid activities that harm the reputation of the University or its members. Students also may not engage in conduct that poses a danger or threat to others. Notwithstanding the above, legitimate and peaceful activities, including but not limited to protests of certain University policies, whether expressed on or off campus, and provided that such activities are lawful and do not interfere with normal University functions, shall not be deemed to be a breach of this code of conduct. The Tufts University School of Medicine Honor Code further imposes an obligation on each student to take affirmative steps to ensure that other medical students comply with these standards of conduct. All students are required to sign a copy of the Honor Code, which is maintained in the student’s file.

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DISCLOSURE OF CRIMINAL ARRESTS, CHARGES, OR CONVICTIONS

All students must notify the Office of Student Affairs of any convictions, guilty pleas or “no contest” pleas to any felony, misdemeanor or other offense; or any arrests, charges against the student, or investigations by law enforcement or professional licensing authorities in which the student is a target. Such notice must occur as soon as possible, but in no event later than three (3) working days following the event or the student’s knowledge of the event. Matters disclosed will follow the disciplinary review procedures for ethical misconduct outlined in the Student Handbook. Nondisclosure or falsification of this information may be grounds for disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal from the school.

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STUDENT HONOR CODE

I agree to uphold the Tufts University School of Medicine Standards of Conduct. If I observe violations of this code of conduct, in the interest of supporting these standards, I will take one or more of the following actions:

1. Confront the individual(s) to receive an explanation and to gain satisfaction that there was no intention of breaching the TUSM Standards of Conduct. (It is expected that many incidents will be dealt with in this manner.) If satisfaction is not gained, I will take further action (see 2. and 3. below);

2. Consult with a Student Affairs administrator, an Educational Affairs administrator, a Learning Community advisor or a student Ethics Representative regarding my observations in order to determine whether a written report should be made to the Dean for Students or his/her designee;

   and/or

3. Submit a signed written report of the alleged infraction to the Dean for Students or his/her designee.