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I. Purpose of the Regulation

1. This Regulation establishes the procedure for the organization, funding, supervision, and evaluation of the Clinical practice in odontology in the study programme of Odontology at the Medical Academy of the Lithuanian University of Health Sciences (hereinafter LSMU).

II. Main concepts

2. Clinical practice in odontology – a part of the study programme of odontology, during which the basic and special education knowledge, competencies and skills acquired by the student are consolidated, adapted and improved in practical professional activities.
3. Intern student – an LSMU student studying according to the integrated study programme and performing the practice provided in it.
4. Base of clinical practice – LSMU clinical departments, where students perform practical tasks.
5. LSMU practice supervisor – an LSMU lecturer supervising the student's practice.
6. When clinical practice in odontology is performed at the base of a clinical department of the LSMU, no additional agreements are concluded and the practice is conducted following the practical activities of the unit.

7. Practice supervision – control of the student’s activity, observation and discussion of progress, and assistance in solving problems encountered during the practice.
8. Academic evaluation of the clinical practice in odontology – evaluation of the student’s practice report at the LSMU is performed in departments responsible for students’ clinical practice in odontology (Department of Preventive and Pediatric Dentistry, Department of Dental and Oral Pathology, Department of Prosthodontics, Department of Orthodontics, Department of Maxillofacial Surgery).

III. General provisions

9. Clinical practice in odontology is conducted at the LSMU clinical departments in the X term of study. The clinical practice in odontology is a part of the study programme, during which the student develops practical skills and acquires more theoretical knowledge required for practical work.
10. The duration of the clinical practice in odontology is 20 ECTS credits, which is defined in the study programme. The assignment of credits to different parts of the practice is indicated in the subject description of Clinical practice in odontology in the LSMUSIS.
11. The following departments of the LSMU OF are responsible for clinical practice as a part of the study process: Department of Preventive and Pediatric Dentistry, Department of Dental and Oral Pathology, Department of Prosthodontics, Department of Orthodontics, Department of Maxillofacial Surgery.
12. The organization and implementation of the practice process are determined by this regulation of clinical practice, the study programme and the regulations of the LSMU OF clinical departments.
13. Each clinical department of the LSMU OF allows the student to work independently under the supervision of a lecturer.
14. All disputes, which cannot be resolved by the parties in mutual understanding, shall be resolved following the procedure established by the legal acts of the Republic of Lithuania.

IV. Academic practice supervision and quality evaluation

15. Clinical practice in odontology is a part of the learning process. To ensure its quality during clinical practice, practice supervision is organized in the LSMU OF units (a responsible person – a lecturer responsible for practice appointed in each LSMU OF unit).

16. The assessment of the clinical practice in odontology consists of two parts: 50% (10% per clinical department) consists of an assessment performed following the procedures established by each LSMU OF clinical department, and the other 50% consists of the result of an Objective structured clinical examination (OSCE) collectively organized by all clinical departments of the LSMU OF.

The evaluation criteria are provided in the LSMUSIS Description of Clinical Practice in Odontology. The assessment is entered into the LSMUSIS electronic registry.

17. The practice or any part thereof that has not been completed or recorded within the set time is considered the student's academic failure, and the student has to liquidate them following the terms specified in the Regulation of the studies at the Lithuanian University of Health Sciences.

V. Practice funding

18. Practice funding is allocated in accordance with the study funding methodology established by the University.

19. No additional fees may be charged to a student for practice at an institution.