



## Memo

**Date:** January 19, 2021

**To:**

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Associate Dean, PGME (for information only)

Assistant Dean, PGME (for information only)  
Department Heads and School Directors  
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**From:** Dr. Roger Wong, Vice Dean, Education  
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**Re: Memo from VDE: FoM Learners and COVID-19 Patients**

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Dear Colleagues,

In December, 2020, an advisory group was formed to provide recommendations to the Vice Dean, Education, on learner involvement in the direct care of COVID-19 patients.

Attached is the full list of updated recommendations that are **effective immediately**. These recommendations apply to students **only** and not medical residents, postgraduate trainees, or clinical fellows.

Please share the updated recommendations with your program leaders and clinical placement coordinators as appropriate. Programs should also share this update with their respective learners and clinical preceptors as appropriate.

Each program is responsible for updating materials and websites as needed and to ensure that there is alignment with the Faculty's updated recommendations.

For programs that have submitted a safety plan for courses that include clinical placements, an amendment will need to be submitted to the Office of the Vice Dean, Education. For programs that have not submitted a safety plan for courses that include clinical placements, a safety plan will need to be submitted to the Office of the Vice Dean. These safety plans and any questions related to the education re-entry process should be submitted to [fomedu.reentry@ubc.ca](mailto:fomedu.reentry@ubc.ca).

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to ensuring the safety of our learners.

Best,  
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