HONORING YOUR EXAMINEE AGREEMENT – A NOTE FROM THE AAMC PRESIDENT AND CEO

Congratulations on your decision to pursue a career in medicine! Being a physician has been central to my career and I wish you success in your journey ahead. I am writing to remind you of the importance of reading, understanding, and honoring the MCAT Examinee Agreement. This agreement states the terms and conditions of taking the MCAT exam, and the policies, procedures, and ethical standards you must follow as an examinee.

Why the MCAT Examinee Agreement is Important to You
Caring for others is a privilege that requires the highest standards of moral and ethical conduct. Adhering to the MCAT Examinee Agreement is one of your first opportunities to demonstrate that you exemplify the ethical and professional qualities that our medical schools, teaching hospitals, and patients expect.

When you register for the exam, you must acknowledge your acceptance of the MCAT Examinee Agreement, which is a binding contract and will be enforced as such. Please read the agreement carefully to avoid serious consequences.

The AAMC’s Commitment to Ethical Conduct
As the administrator of the MCAT exam, the AAMC is committed to providing a fair and secure process for students to take the MCAT exam and a level playing field for all medical school applicants.

The AAMC places high value on our responsibility to ensure the accuracy and integrity of the MCAT exam. This means we will diligently enforce the terms of the MCAT Examinee Agreement. Additionally, we do not tolerate abusive, threatening, aggressive, or dehumanizing treatment of any kind towards the people with whom you interact virtually or in-person at the AAMC, Pearson VUE, or in the testing center or exam room. The AAMC and Pearson VUE reserve the right to refuse service to any individual who presents a threat or serious disruption to AAMC staff, Pearson VUE staff, or other examinees.

Accepting the MCAT Examinee Agreement means that you join the AAMC in committing to a fair and secure process by acting ethically before, during, and after test day. If you receive confidential MCAT exam content, even unintentionally, you are required to report it. If you observe any irregular behavior, rules violations, or exam security violations, please report them by calling the MCAT Security Tip Line at (202) 903-0840 or by email to MCATSecurity@aamc.org.

We will investigate any alleged violations and violators may face the consequences outlined in the agreement, including issuing reports of our findings directly to interested parties such as medical schools, and/or pursuing criminal charges. If you have any questions, please contact my colleagues in AAMC Services at 202-828-0600.

Best wishes as you continue your journey into medicine and thank you in advance for your ethical conduct.

All best,
David J. Skorton, MD
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