

Dear M4s,

We know this is a very stressful, difficult and uncertain time. As concerns grow nationally and internationally regarding infection and transmission of the coronavirus (COVID-19), we have been tasked by the University to prepare to teach aspects of our curriculum remotely in the possible event that quarantines or closures are implemented in the near future.

After thoughtful discussions with the AAMC and with University leaders/educators locally and nationally, the College of Medicine has decided to proceed with providing the 2 week TTR curriculum online through distance-learning platforms. Our goal is to provide important curricular content that will assist your successful transition to residency and meet credit requirements for graduation while simultaneously providing flexibility and protection given the current circumstances.

We are working quickly to adapt our originally planned TTR schedule to be run remotely.

- Lectures will be available online either as prerecorded sessions from prior years along with the PowerPoints, or as live streams through Canvas's Big Blue Button.
- All curricular materials will be posted on OwlMed as usual.
- Small group sessions will meet virtually, through Canvas's Big Blue Button. You will need a quiet space with your computer or iPad in order to actively participate in the sessions, but you will not be expected to come to campus.
- For Simulation sessions, the cases will be shared electronically and then students will work virtually in Big Blue Button small groups to discuss and answer questions related the case.
- Identical to past years of TTR, there will be a short pre and post-test to assess knowledge.

You will be receiving another email prior to the start of the course from COM IT containing specific instructions for how to access Canvas and use Big Blue Button.

We want TTR to be a valuable learning experience for all of you as you prepare to become residents. We also want you to understand that all online activities during TTR will have to be mandatory, as you will receive university credit and a final grade for the course. We will expect students to actively engage in the sessions and facilitators will be tracking participation. Please be patient and understanding with us as we adapt the course on short notice and we will get the details out to you as soon as we are able. In the meanwhile if you have questions, concerns or feedback, please let us know.

Lastly, please stay safe and regularly check the University's designated site for updates on the virus, travel and health guidance, and helpful resources at <http://www.fau.edu/coronavirus/>.

Best,

Dr. Wood and the M4 Team