



**The Medical College of Georgia
Academic Affairs Office**

**Supervision and Scope of Practice Policy
With Student Permitted Procedures**

All medical students participating in required educational experiences are engaged in educational environments wherein they are supervised by members of the faculty, and/or where present, residents. Faculty and residents are prepared for their roles as educators, and are aware of the educational program objectives, and the generally expected limitations of medical student ability by level. All medical students perform medical activities within their approved scope of practice and must seek assistance if faced with a medical circumstance that is beyond their skill level or comfort. Adherence to this policy is monitored by COC, reviewed on a biannual basis and modified as appropriate.

Student Permitted Procedures

In addition to all components of the history and physical examination, medical students may perform any of the following without direct (in room) supervision after demonstrating clinical competency and with the knowledge and consent of a supervising health care provider:

- Blood collection: arterial, venous, or capillary
- Injections: intramuscular, subcutaneous, intradermal, intravenous
- Insert intravenous catheter
- EKG
- Foley catheter insertion (male and female)
- Nasogastric tube insertion
- PPD administration
- Local anesthesia
- Suture simple laceration
- Suture or staple removal
- Ventilation (ambu-bag)