

STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK
Downstate Medical Center

College of Medicine



CLERKSHIP INFORMATION FROM THE **COURSE SELECTION BOOK** 2009-2010

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June 2009

Clinical Clerkship Calendar

2009-2010

Transition to Clerkships: **Wednesday and Thursday July 1 & 2, 2009**

Primary Care I	(6 wk)		Medicine	(10 wk)
	2009	July 6 - Aug 15		2009 Aug 3 - Oct 9
General & Family Practice		Aug 17 - Sept 25		Oct 12 - Dec 18
		Sept 28 - Nov 6		
		Nov 9 - Dec 18		2010 Jan 4 - Mar 12
	2010	Jan 4 - Feb 12		Mar 15 - May 21
		Feb 15 - Mar 26		May 24 - July 30
		March 29 - May 7		
		May 24 - July 2		
Women's Health Pediatrics Psychiatry	(6 wk)		Neurology	(4 wk)
	2009	July 6 - Aug 14		2009 July 6 - July 31
		Aug 17 - Sept 25		<i>(Mostly Juniors)</i> Aug 3 - Aug 28
		Sept 28 - Nov 6		Aug 31 - Sept 25
		Nov 9 - Dec 18		<i>(Mostly Seniors)</i> Sept 28 - Oct 23
	2010	Jan 4 - Feb 12		<i>(Mostly Seniors)</i> Oct 26 - Nov 20
		Feb 15 - Mar 26		Nov 23 - Dec 18
		March 29 - May 7		
		May 10 - June 18		2010 Jan 4 - Jan 29
				Mar 29- April 23
				May 10 - June 4
Surgery	(8 wk)			June 7 - July 2
	2009	July 6 - Aug 28		
1/2 Seniors; 1/2 Juniors		Aug 31 - Oct 23		
		Oct 26 - Dec 18		
	2010	Jan 4 - Feb 26		
		Mar 15 - May 7		

*****WINTER RECESS - December 19, 2009 - January 3, 2010*****

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*Clerkships scheduled to begin on holiday Mondays (i.e., New Year's Day, Labor Day, President's Day and Memorial Day) will start on the Tuesday following the holiday.

Clerkship Calendar

2009-2010

Emergency Medicine	(2 wk)		Anesthesia	(2 wk)
2009			2009	
<i>Seniors</i>	July 6 – July 17		<i>Juniors & Seniors</i>	July 6 – July 17
<i>Seniors</i>	July 20 – Aug 31		<i>Juniors & Seniors</i>	July 20 – Jul 31
<i>Seniors</i>	Aug 3 – Aug 14		<i>Seniors</i>	Aug 3 – Aug 14
<i>Seniors</i>	Aug 17 – Aug 28		<i>Seniors</i>	Aug 17 – Aug 28
	Aug 31 - Sept 11			Aug 31 - Sept 11
	Sept 14 – Sept 25			Sept 14 – Sept 25
	Sept 28 - Oct 9			Sept 28 - Oct 9
	Oct 12 - Oct 23			Oct 12 - Oct 23
	Oct 26 - Nov 6			Oct 26 - Nov 6
	Nov 9 - Nov 20			Nov 9 - Nov 20
<i>No clerkship</i>	Nov 23 – Jan 29		<i>No clerkship</i>	Nov 23 – Jan 15
2010			2010	
			<i>Seniors</i>	Jan 18 – Jan 29
<i>Juniors & Seniors</i>	Feb 1 - Feb 12		<i>Juniors & Seniors</i>	Feb 1 - Feb 12
<i>Juniors & Seniors</i>	Feb 15 – Feb 26		<i>Juniors & Seniors</i>	Feb 15 – Feb 26
	Mar 1 - Mar 12			Mar 1 - Mar 12
	Mar 15 - Mar 26			Mar 15 - Mar 26
<i>Seniors</i>	Mar 29 – April 9		<i>Seniors</i>	Mar 29 – April 9
<i>Seniors</i>	April 12 – April 23		<i>Seniors</i>	April 12 – April 23
<i>Seniors</i>	April 26 – May 7		<i>Seniors</i>	April 26 – May 7
<i>Seniors</i>	May 10 - May 21		<i>Seniors</i>	May 10 - May 21
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**** The Emergency Medicine clerkship always begins on Monday, even on a holiday.**

As of February 2009

SENIOR ELECTIVE/PRIMARY CARE II CALENDAR DATES 2009-2010 ACADEMIC YEAR

First Day of Senior Year	July 1, 2009
Commencement Date	May 27, 2010

In order to avoid as many date conflicts as possible between electives, the Office of the Registrar has published a list of recommended dates for each of the 4-week elective periods. The period usually begins on the first Monday of the month and ends the last Friday of the month.

2009

JULY 6 - JULY 31, 2009

AUG. 3 - AUG. 28, 2009

AUG. 31 - SEPT. 25, 2009

OCT. 5 - OCT. 30, 2009

NOV. 2 - NOV. 27, 2009

NOV. 30 - DEC. 24, 2009

2010

JAN. 4 - JAN. 29, 2010

FEB. 1 - FEB. 26, 2010

MAR. 1 - MAR. 26, 2010 *(Third year students only)*

MAR. 29 - APR. 23, 2010

APR. 26 - MAY 21, 2010

MAY 24 - JUNE 18, 2010

The dates listed above are **recommended**. If the elective is run in such a way in which the above dates would create scheduling difficulties for the department, the department should notify registered students of the special dates so they may arrange their schedules accordingly.

Subinternships GENERALLY run 1st. of the month to the 31st. of the month. However, check with department for actual dates.

Clinical Requirements for Graduation

Transition to Clerkships	2 days
Anesthesia	2 weeks
Emergency Medicine	2 weeks
Medicine	10 weeks
Neurology	4 weeks
Surgery	8 weeks
Pediatrics	6 weeks
Primary Care I	6 weeks
Psychiatry	6 weeks
Women's Health	6 weeks
Primary Care II	4 weeks
Subinternship (Medicine or Pediatrics only)	4 weeks
Emerging Concepts in Medicine	2 weeks
Transition to Residency	1 week
<u>Electives</u>	<u>20 weeks</u>
TOTAL	82 weeks

Number of weeks for vacation, interviews,
Step 2, extra electives, remediation of
deficiencies (if any) **16 weeks**

In addition to the above clinical requirements:

- **Students are required to take the USMLE Step 2 CK and CS examinations no later than January 31st of their senior year.**
- **Students are also required to successfully pass a mandatory standardized patient experience, which is scheduled in the spring of the third year.**

GENERAL INFORMATION AND POLICIES

GENERAL INFORMATION

The State University of New York Downstate Medical Center is the major provider of medical education, health care and research for the Brooklyn and Staten Island communities. Located on a 13 acre urban campus in Brooklyn, New York, SUNY Downstate includes a College of Medicine, College of Health Related Professions, College of Nursing, School of Graduate Studies, a graduate program in Public Health and a 372 bed University Hospital.

Under the educational plan of the College of Medicine, medical students in their final two years receive part of their clinical training at University Hospital/Kings County Hospital Center and part of their clinical training at affiliated institutions in Brooklyn, Queens, Manhattan and Staten Island.

The policies contained in this book are in addition to the academic policies outlined in the annual Student Handbook. Read both books carefully.

The Office of the Registrar maintains reports which list: a) the third and fourth year schedules of individual students, and b) the minimum and maximum enrollments in all SUNY Downstate clerkships and electives.

The State University of New York and Downstate reserve the right to alter existing rules and regulations, and academic programs. The student is governed by the information on programs, and rules and regulations herein published or subsequently altered. SUNY Downstate expressly reserves the right, whenever it deems advisable 1) to change or modify its schedule of tuition and fees, 2) to modify any requirement or policy in connection with the program of study and 3) to change or modify any academic or other policy. It is the responsibility of each student to ascertain current information that pertains to the individual's program, particularly with regard to satisfaction of degree requirements, through frequent reference to the Student Handbook or other University publications, and by consultation with the student's advisor (clinical assistant dean), through the Office of the Registrar, the Office of Student Affairs, and other offices as appropriate.

CLINICAL CURRICULUM

The clinical curriculum is comprised of a variety of experiences including clerkships, electives, subinternship, and "transition" courses. The clinical years are considered to be a continuum. Students will be exposed to a greater variety of disciplines and have increased opportunity to schedule electives in the "third year."

Students entering the third year must present current certification for the American Heart Association's Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers.

Students must be current in their Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) training.

Students must be current in their OSHA and NYS Infection Control certification.

ADVISING IN THE CLINICAL YEARS

During the third year, students should seek advisement from the Dean of Students, the Associate Dean for Student Affairs, clerkship course directors or faculty preceptors regarding their clinical performance or future career plans. A list of Specialty Advisors (departmental faculty) is also available to all students so students may seek advisement about specialty interests or choices. It can be found at <http://sls.downstate.edu/registrar/docs/classmeetingmaterials/COM%20Specialty%20Advisor07-08.pdf>. Throughout the fall and spring semesters of the third year, students undecided about their residency choice are encouraged to register for career workshops offered through the Office of Student Affairs. During the spring semester, third year students are also assigned a clinical assistant dean. During the fourth year, students should consult with their clinical assistant deans for guidance regarding their senior year program of study, and specialty advisors for information about residency programs.

CLERKSHIPS

Successful completion of clerkships requires satisfactory performance in clinical work including the professional conduct component; passing a written exam; and in some clerkships, also passing an oral exam or a history and physical practical.

Students are required to complete their clerkships at SUNY Downstate. Permission will not be granted to complete a required clinical course at another medical school.

SCHEDULING OF CLERKSHIPS

Students will express preferences for the order they will complete their clerkships and electives through a computer lottery program. This process is conducted in late spring of the second year. Specific times and procedures are announced annually. The Office of the Registrar maintains the official list of clerkships and roster of students. Therefore, any changes must be initiated through the Office of the Registrar.

SCHEDULE CHANGES FOR CLERKSHIPS

Changes in the clerkship schedule are approved ONLY if space is available for rescheduling. Clerkship changes must be finalized through the Office of the Registrar, BSB Room. 112, at least 6 weeks prior to the start of the proposed change.

CLERKSHIP SITE ASSIGNMENTS

Hospital site assignments for each clerkship rotation will be initially assigned through a lottery process. The specific clinical department will handle individual changes to site assignments. Each clerkship coordinator will notify students of their procedures, in accordance with the policies of the particular department. All assignments are subject to change.

The department chairs have stated that each department will consider exceptional hardship travel situations. Students who believe they have an exceptional hardship situation which precludes them from attending certain hospital sites, should submit a statement describing their individual situation, why they cannot travel to the site and their suggested alternative site, to the Office of the Registrar by July of the third year.

Special Needs

If you have special needs (e.g. you are a Sabbath observer), please send the clerkship course director a note with that information at least one month prior to the date on which you would start that clerkship.

Parking (for clerkships)

If a student is assigned to University Hospital or Kings County for a clerkship rotation, the student may obtain parking information from the clerkship departmental office.

CREDITS ASSIGNED TO CLERKSHIPS AND CLINICAL ELECTIVES

Credits are assigned to clinical courses based on the number of weeks of full-time training. For example, the Medicine clerkship is 10 weeks in length, and therefore the Medicine clerkship appears on the transcript as 10 credits followed by the grade earned in the course.

Transition to Clerkships - .5 credits
Anesthesia - 2 credits
Emergency Medicine - 2 credits
Medicine - 10 credits
Surgery - 8 credits

Pediatrics - 6 credits
Psychiatry - 6 credits
Women's Health - 6 credits
Primary Care I - 6 credits
Neurology - 4 credits

Primary Care II - 4 credits
Emerging Concepts in Medicine – 2 credits
Transition to Residency -.5 credits

Electives are also assigned credits based on the length of the elective, if the elective is a full-time commitment. If a student is enrolled in a four-week, full-time elective, the course will carry four credits and will appear on the transcript as a four credit hour course. A full-time elective is approximately 30 hours per week time commitment.

Tuition is charged based on the number of credits you are registered for during each semester. You need to register for a minimum of 12 credit hours in the fall (July-December, 2009) by June 1, 2009. Additional information regarding tuition charges is in the Student Handbook.

For financial aid purposes, full-time status for medical students is defined as 9 or more credits per semester. Half-time status is equal to 5 or more credits but less than 9 credits. A student must be registered for 9 or more credits **each** semester in order to be eligible to receive grants. A student must be registered for 5 or more credits in a semester, in order to be eligible to receive loans.

GRADING SYSTEM

Departments and faculty members define which grading options are used in their courses and how grades are determined; these policies should be defined and distributed in writing to students on the first day of the clerkship/elective.

SUNY Downstate's College of Medicine grading system is as follows:

H = Honors
HP = High Pass
P = Pass
C = Conditional
F = Fail

I = Incomplete
W= Withdrawal
WP =Withdraw/Passing
WF = Withdraw/Failing
Y = Year-long course used for ECM I and II in Fall term

Honors: outstanding work in the subject area far exceeding the requirements of the course

High Pass: above average work in the subject area that exceeds the requirements of the course

Pass: successful completion of all requirements of the course

Conditional: a failure of a limited part of a course (e.g. a written or oral examination in a clinical course) which requires remedial work. In the opinion of the faculty, the student has performed well in the other segments of the course to warrant a passing grade upon successful completion of the required remedial work. Remediation may not be undertaken while you are taking other courses.

Fail: failure to successfully complete the requirements for a major portion of the course, or the entire course, or withdrawal from a required course after 75% of the course has been completed. Remediation of a course in which a grade of "Fail" has been received requires the prior approval of the Grades Committee and the Academic Promotions Committee.

Incomplete: a portion of the requirements of a course has not been attempted, for reasons beyond the student's control (e.g. illness).

DEFICIENT GRADES

"Conditional" and "Fail" grades are considered deficient grades and are subject to review and action by the appropriate student evaluation committees. Deficient grades in two or more courses in an academic year may subject the student to dismissal or the necessity to repeat an entire academic year.

If a student receives a "Conditional" grade in a clerkship due to failure of an oral or written exam, the student will normally take the make-up examination in the summer following third year. There are usually two exam dates scheduled for each clerkship, one in July and the other in August. In some cases, the student and clerkship course director will set an individual summer date for the remediation (repeat oral or repeat written exam) depending on the department's or student's schedule. Remediation may not be taken at the same time as another clerkship or elective.

Under special circumstances, a student may be permitted to undertake remedial work recommended by the department prior to the annual review of the Grades Committee and the Academic Promotions Committee. However, no deficiency is considered remediated until the Academic Promotions Committee has reviewed and accepted the recommendation of the department. A student may undertake remedial work only during vacations, or when the student does not have any other courses in progress. A minimum of 2 study weeks, with no course work scheduled, is required.

In order to petition to take a make up oral or written exam prior to the end of the academic year, the student must have satisfactorily completed all clinical requirements and performed at a "pass" or higher level clinically in that clerkship. Also, the student must have passed the oral exam (if the written exam is the one failed), or passed the written exam (if the oral exam is the one failed). If the above requirements are met, then the:

- a. student may submit a written petition to the Office of Student Affairs requesting permission to take the written exam or the oral exam prior to the end of the academic year;
- b. exam may only be scheduled for a time block when another clerkship/course is not in progress (e.g., vacation periods);
- c. student's petition must be supported by a letter from the clerkship director, verifying that the student has satisfactorily completed all clinical and other requirements in the clerkship;
- d. student will be permitted only one clerkship make up exam approval prior to the end of the year -- that is, if the student encounters another written or oral exam deficiency, he/she will not be granted permission to attempt a make up exam in the second clerkship;
- e. students on academic probation are not eligible for this option.

A student has only one opportunity to remove a "Conditional" grade in a given course. Should a student fail this make-up, the student shall be assigned a "Fail" grade and will be required to do remedial work as specified by the Department and as approved by the Grades Committee and/or the Academic Promotions Committee, as appropriate.

Whenever a student satisfactorily remediates a deficient grade through additional work that has been accepted by the Academic Promotions Committee, the "Conditional" or "Fail" grade remains on the official transcript along with the "P" grade reflecting remediation of the deficiency.

Example:	Medicine Clerkship	C/P
	Neurology Clerkship	F/P

The initial grade evaluation form for the clerkship must be completed with the "Conditional" or "Fail" grade and sent to the Office of the Registrar. The date(s) and conditions for the remediation must be sent in writing to the Office of the Registrar with a copy to the student.

Upon successful remediation, the clerkship course director will complete another clerkship grade evaluation form. The word "Revised" should appear clearly at the top. The clerkship grade evaluation forms are available from the Office of the Registrar.

If a student receives a "Fail" grade in a clerkship (fails a clerkship), the clerkship course director should provide the student a space in the next regularly scheduled rotation after the end of the third year. A "Fail" grade means that the student has failed the course and must complete additional course work to the extent specified by the department.

When the course is repeated, the course will be listed again and the new grade will appear next to the new listing. Courses in which a "Fail" grade has been received may not be repeated until the student has received the written approval of the Third and Fourth Year Grades Committee and the Academic Promotions Committee, following the annual review of the entire class at the end of the third year.

The assignment of students seeking to make up clerkships due to a leave of absence or failure in a clerkship will be based on space availability. Any student in excess of the number designated as the maximum for any clerkship will constitute an overload of that clerkship. The student and the Office of the Registrar will consult with the department to create space in the next available period that does not already have an overload.

CLERKSHIP COURSE EVALUATIONS AND GRADE CHANGE POLICY

If a student disagrees with a preceptor's evaluation or wishes to question the final clerkship course evaluation, the student must first meet with the clerkship course director or designee to discuss any concern(s). If there are still concerns after that meeting, the student may schedule an appointment to meet with the department chair. The department chair's decision is final. It is important to remember that an "evaluation" is an evaluation of the student's academic work by the faculty, and may include both positive comments and areas needing improvement.

It is not considered appropriate for students to approach preceptors, attendings or residents on an individual basis to review or adjust their comments. All discussions regarding clerkship evaluations must be conducted through the clerkship course director or the department chair.

If a change is going to be made to a grade or an evaluation after the Office of the Registrar receives the official grade, the change must be accompanied by a letter of explanation and a statement that the first grade was given in error. A change, after the fact, to a subjective evaluation, will not result in a grade change unless a grade calculation error was involved.

A student has one month after the official grade is submitted to the Office of the Registrar to challenge a grade with a clerkship director. After the month deadline, the grade and evaluation comments are considered to be FINAL and no changes will be made.

CLERKSHIP PROTOCOLS

1. Clerkship Orientation:

Each clerkship has an orientation on the first day of the rotation. It is mandatory to attend this orientation. The department notifies students of the location and starting time of the first day of the clerkship a few weeks prior to the start date.

2. Illness/Absence/Personal Emergency:

Clerkships carry professional obligations and responsibilities. If you are ill, have a personal emergency, or expect to be delayed in your arrival at your clerkship site, you are obligated to notify your attending, faculty preceptor, or student coordinator of the department as early as possible. This is considered to be the same, as you would do if you were an employee since alternative patient care assignments and other schedule reassignments may have to be made. Absences due to illness require a note from your physician (may not be a relative) or the SUNY Downstate Student Health Service that must be presented to your clerkship course director.

3. Excused Absences:

If you need to be excused from your clerkship for a particular day or time block for a legitimate reason (e.g. responding to a summons or subpoena, doctor's appointment, attend a conference, etc.) you need prior approval from your clerkship course director to be absent. You should minimize the time absent as much as possible. The department determines makeup work necessary to complete course requirements. Written documentation for excused absences is required and must be submitted to your clerkship course director. Do not automatically assume that you will be granted the time off. Therefore, early discussion with your clerkship director regarding your proposed request for time off is advised.

4. Religious Holidays:

Students who are religious observers expecting to be absent due to religious holidays, or other valid excuses, must notify their clerkship course director at least four weeks prior to the start of the clerkship so that call schedules and other assignments may be adjusted.

5. Holidays and Vacation Periods:

Holidays or vacation periods (e.g. Thanksgiving weekend) must be discussed with your clerkship course director as you may have clinical responsibilities during this period. Vacation periods, as listed on the academic calendar for the college, **do not** apply to the clinical years unless specifically noted. You need to consult with your clerkship course director (for clerkships) or your faculty preceptor (for electives) for information regarding your clinical obligations during holiday/vacation periods.

ELECTIVES DURING THE THIRD YEAR

There is opportunity to take electives in the third year. Electives will generally be registered for after senior students have registered for their electives for the senior year. Students will register for clinical electives using the "Elective Add/Drop" form available from the Office of the Registrar. All other rules pertaining to senior year electives apply -- e.g. add/drop fees, rules pertaining to replacements, etc. For more information about electives, log on to sls.downstate.edu/registrar.

If you wish to take a senior extramural (away) elective, you must follow the same rules and procedures for extramural electives as the senior year students. Read those sections in this book carefully, especially those pertaining to liability insurance coverage.

Electives Program (20 week requirement over two years)

a) No more than 8 weeks of clinical electives in any one subspecialty discipline applies towards the 20 week graduation requirement.

The following fields are counted as subspecialties: Anesthesiology, Dermatology, Emergency Medicine, Neurology, Neurosurgery, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Ophthalmology, Orthopedics, Otolaryngology, Pathology, Psychiatry, Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Radiation Oncology, Radiology, Plastic Surgery, Cardiothoracic Surgery, Urology, Medical , Pediatric Subspecialties (e.g. GI, ID, Cardiology, Rheumatology, Hem-Onc., etc.).

b) No more than 8 weeks of away (extramural) electives will count towards the 20 week graduation requirement.

c) No more than 8 weeks of research electives will count towards the 20 week graduation requirement.

- d) **No more than 4 weeks of senior credit will be granted for “reading” electives. Specifically, students may not exceed taking 4 weeks of History of Medicine, Biomedical Ethics, Case Development in Case Based Learning and/or Literature in Medicine or any other course labeled as “Reading Elective” in the on-line Course Selection Book.** Two weeks of two may be taken or four weeks of one of these courses.

Add/Drop Late Fees

SUNY policy mandates the collection of an "Add/Drop Late Fee" of \$20 per transaction after the designated Add/Drop period. For the purpose of this regulation, the following dates have been established for the collection of this fee:

ADD/DROP DEADLINES FOR INTRAMURAL ELECTIVES		
Course Begins Anytime This Month	Deadline to Add/Drop Course Without Signature	\$20 Fee Charged Starting:
	As of June 1, 2009	
July 2009	Requires Signature	Fee Waived
August 2009		July 2, 2009
September 2009		August 4, 2009
October 2009	September 1, 2009	September 2, 2009
November 2009		
December 2009		
January 2010	December 1, 2009	December 2, 2009
February 2010		
March 2010		
April 2010	March 1, 2010	March 2, 2010
May 2010		
June 2010		

Deadline for Tailor-made or Extramural Electives is the first business day of the month prior to the elective. A \$20 late fee will be assessed for forms submitted after the deadline. Forms must be filled out completely with all required signatures.

TRAVEL DIRECTIONS TO MAJOR CLINICAL AFFILIATE SITES

Brookdale Hospital: Linden Blvd. at Rockaway Parkway, Brooklyn
Public Transportation

- By Bus: Church Ave. bus (B35) to East 98th Street;
- or B7 to Lenox Road & Hegeman Ave;
- or B10 bus to Hegeman Ave;
- or B17 bus to Church Ave and then the B35 to East 98th St.;
- or B11 to Church Ave and the B35;
- or B14 to Church Ave and then the B35;
- or B46 to Church Ave and then the B35;
- or B49 to Church Ave. and then the B35;
- or B68 to Church Ave and then the B35;
- or B78 to Lenox Rd. and Hegeman Ave.

By subway or train: Long Island Railroad to Atlantic Ave. station. Take IRT subway (Flatbush line) to Church Ave. station and then take B35 bus to E. 98th street.

Automobile: Take Linden Blvd. east, cross Kings Highway and continue on Linden. The hospital is at the intersection of Linden and Rockaway Parkway.

From Long Island: Southern State/Belt Parkway West. Exit at Pennsylvania Ave. and travel north to the tenth traffic light (Linden Blvd.). Turn left and travel about 2 miles to Hospital (right corner of Linden and Rockaway Parkway).

From Upper Manhattan & Bronx: Triborough Bridge to Grand Central Parkway and south to Van Wyck Expressway and Belt Parkway West. Then follow the same directions as from Long Island.
From Lower Manhattan: Brooklyn Battery Tunnel to Gowanus Expressway to Belt Parkway. Exit at Pennsylvania Ave. and follow the directions above.

Parking: Amboy Parking indoor parking facility

Coney Island Hospital: 2601 Ocean Parkway and Avenue Z, Brooklyn
Public Transportation

By Bus: B35 at Church Ave. to Coney Island Ave. Transfer to B68 and take it to Coney Island Avenue and Avenue Z.

Automobile: Take Linden Blvd. to Caton Avenue. Continue on Caton to Coney Island Avenue; make left onto Coney Island Avenue. Turn right on Beverly Street, to Ocean Parkway. Turn left onto Ocean Parkway. Hospital is at Ocean Parkway and Avenue Z.

Lenox Hill Hospital: 100 East 77th Street, New York (between Park and Lexington Avenues)
By Automobile

From the Bronx or Westchester: Take Major Deegan Expressway (NYS Thruway) southbound to Triborough Bridge to Manhattan. Take FDR Drive southbound to 96th Street exit. Continue straight on York Avenue to 77th Street. Make a right turn onto 77th Street and continue to Lexington Avenue.

From Brooklyn or Staten Island: Cross Brooklyn Bridge or go through Brooklyn Battery Tunnel. Take FDR Drive northbound to 61st Street exit. Continue westbound on 61st Street to Third Avenue. Make a right turn onto 77th Street and continue to Lexington Avenue.

From Queens or Long Island: Cross Triborough Bridge. Take FDR Drive southbound to 96th Street exit. Continue straight on York Avenue to 77th Street. Make a right turn onto 77th Street and continue to Lexington Avenue. Or, take the Queens Midtown Tunnel westbound to Third Avenue. Make a right turn onto Third Avenue to 77th Street. Make a left turn onto 77th Street and continue to Lexington Avenue.

Public Transportation

By Subway: #6 Train (either direction) to E. 77th Street.

Long Island College Hospital: 340 Henry Street, Brooklyn

Public Transportation

By Subway: Take #2 subway to Borough Hall stop and walk two blocks along Court Street toward Atlantic Avenue, and then one block along Atlantic Avenue to Henry Street.

Automobile: Prospect Expressway to Gowanus to BQE (I-278 East). Get off at Atlantic Avenue.

Lutheran Medical Center: 150 55th Street, Brooklyn

Public Transportation

By Bus: Take Nostrand Ave. bus #44 to Glenwood Rd. Change for the #11 bus. This will take you directly to Lutheran.

By Subway: #2 subway to Atlantic. Change for the R subway going South. Get off at the 53rd Street station. You will be on 4th Avenue and 53rd Street. Walk to 55th Street.

Automobile: Fort Hamilton Parkway to 37th Street. Bear right hugging the perimeter of Greenwood Cemetery. Continue on 36th street to 4th Avenue and make a left on 4th. Proceed on 4th to 55th Street. Make a right to 2nd Avenue. The front entrance is on 55th Street between 1st and 2nd Avenue.

Maimonides Hospital: 4802 Tenth Avenue, Brooklyn

Public Transportation

By bus: Church Ave bus (B35 to 38th Street and 10 Avenue, then walk 10 small blocks; or Clarkson Ave bus (B12) to Ocean Ave. Transfer to B16 and take it to 13th Avenue and 49th; walk 3 large blocks to 10th Avenue. (Also accessible by B9, B11, B70 bus routes)

By subway: IND "B" Avenue of the Americas (6th Ave) line. Take the "B" train to the Fort Hamilton Parkway and 45th Street stop. Walk South on Fort Hamilton Parkway to 48th street and turn right. Walk one block to 10th Avenue.

Automobile: Linden Blvd. to Caton Ave. Stay on Caton which becomes Fort Hamilton Parkway. Got to 49th Street and make right turn to 10th Avenue (1 block). The hospital is on 10th Avenue between 48-49th streets. Hospital parking is very scarce (hospital garage on 10th Avenue between 47th & 48th Streets except Mondays & Thursdays); some street parking is available. Recommend taking bus, or car pooling.

From Manhattan: Brooklyn Battery Tunnel and exit onto Gowanus Expressway to Prospect Expressway (first left). Take exit for Fort Hamilton Parkway. Turn right onto Fort Hamilton Parkway and go to 49th Street. At 49th Street, turn right and go one block to 10th Avenue.

From Long Island: Take the Southern State Parkway to the Belt Parkway. Exit at Bay 8th Street/14th Avenue. Go to first traffic light, turn left. Go one traffic light to 14th Avenue, turn right. Proceed to 49th Street, turn left. Go to 10th Avenue.

From New Jersey via Staten Island: Verranzano Bridge and exit at Fort Hamilton Parkway. After exit ramp, bear to the right and take Fort Hamilton Parkway to 49th Street. Turn left and go one block to 10th Avenue.

Staten Island Hospital: 475 Seaview Avenue, Staten Island

Automobile: Take Gowanus to Brooklyn Queens Expressway (I-278 West) to Verranzano Bridge. From the Verranzano Bridge, bear right to toll plaza; take first exit after toll which is the "South Beach" exit. Bear right onto Lily Pond Avenue, which becomes Father Capodano Blvd. Go straight until Seaview Ave., make right onto Seaview Avenue, go 1/3 mile down Seaview; hospital is located on your right. (about 10 minutes from the bridge)

From the Outerbridge, Goethals or Bayonne Bridge: Follow signs to Route 278 (Staten Island Expressway) in the direction of Brooklyn and the Verranzano Narrows Bridge all the way to Lily Pond Ave. exit (last exit before toll), turn right directly on Lily Pond Ave., which becomes Father Capodanno Blvd. Continue on Capodanno Boulevard to Seaview Ave., turn right onto Seaview Ave. and continue to the hospital which is approximately one mile on the right.

Veteran's Administration Hospital: 800 Poly Place, Brooklyn

Automobile: Drive on Linden to Caton onto Park Circle to Fort Hamilton Parkway. Take Fort Hamilton until it crosses 7th Avenue. Continue left on 7th Ave. to its termination at Poly Place. Parking is scarce.

Or, take Prospect Expressway to 4th Ave. exit (I-278 towards Verranzano). Continue on I-278 (not the Belt Parkway) and get off at 92nd Street exit, making a left at the end of the off ramp. Take 92nd to 7th Avenue. Make a right on 7th Avenue, going on 7th a few blocks to the VA.

From Manhattan: Take the Brooklyn Queens Expressway (I278) towards the Verranzano Bridge. Take the last exit before the bridge which is 92nd street. At the end of the ramp, go left onto 92nd street. Move into the right lane and continue until 92nd dead ends at 7th Avenue. (Victory Memorial will be on the left; a duck pond on the right and a golf course in the front). Turn right on 7th and go until the street ends at the gate to Fort Hamilton. Turn left and go a few yards; turn right into the medical center. If you get lost call 718 836-6600.

Other Affiliate travel directions can be found on our website at
<http://sls.downstate.edu/admissions/medicine/curriculum/third-fourth-year.html>