

## Tulane University School of Medicine

### PROFESSIONAL DEMEANOR

In addition to the medical school's "Student Code of Professional Conduct" <http://www.som.tulane.edu/studentaffairs/codeprofessionalism.htm>, the following guidelines should be followed during this clerkship:

1. Students should refrain from using inappropriate language and discussing problems of a sensitive or controversial nature within earshot of patients, hospital visitors or hospital staff.
2. Students are expected to introduce themselves (as a medical student) to nurses, patients, residents and attending physicians. For the laboring patient, a student should always meet both patient and attending as early in the process as possible and get verbal permission from both to participate in her care. You may ask the resident also to introduce you to the patient.
3. Demonstrate respect for patients, families, colleagues, and members of the health care team.
4. Demonstrate compassion, integrity and honesty.
5. Abide by HIPPA and hold medical information in strict confidence.
6. Acknowledge limitations, seek and accept feedback.
7. Commitment to learning.