March 19, 2020

Dear Students,

We hope you are safe and well and are following the CDC and other guidelines during this concerning time. This certainly is an unprecedented time for all of us and we want to assure you that your safety and wellbeing are our most important priority as we create contingency plans for your last APPE rotation.

We would like you to know that Dean Barone and I have been involved in conference calls with the other Big 10 schools, as well as with ACPE, to discuss plans and options for students who have one cycle left. We have also created a task force of faculty members who will devise activities, tools and resources to enhance rotation learning experiences and ensure that students develop the required competencies.

Some of our hospital partners have asked that students be reassigned temporarily. We have been reviewing your individual schedules to identify those requiring Core ACPE Rotations during Cycle 9. Please be sure to check emails for status or reassignment of your schedules. It is imperative to keep the communication lines open. The Experiential Education staff will begin reaching out to those students needing reassignment over the next few days. However, if you wish to opt out of your scheduled cycle 9 rotation and postpone graduation to August or October, please send an email request to me and Dean Woodward by 5pm next Monday, March 23rd.

Stay well; we will get through this together.
Dean Feudo