# BURRELL COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE POLICY MANUAL

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### **POLICY**

BCOM shall provide students, faculty, staff and community with the opportunity to communicate any complaint with the policies or procedures of the college as they may relate to the standards of accreditation. Any individual filing a complaint shall remain anonymous if they so desire. Records of every complaint shall be retained by the College including the findings of any investigation and final disposition.

## **RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL(S):**

Director of Compliance, Dean

## **PROCEDURE:**

- 1. Anyone receiving a complaint regarding the policies or procedures of the College shall immediately notify their supervisor who shall transmit said complaint to the Director of Compliance.
- 2. The College shall maintain a web-based, online portal for the anonymous submission of any complaints under this policy.
- 3. Any complaint received shall be fully investigated by the Director of Compliance. The Director will conduct such interviews as may be needed to ascertain the scope of the allegation, the responsible party or parties, and the veracity of the complaint.
- 4. The Director of Compliance shall make determination of the extent to which a standard has been breached, if at all, and provide that determination in a report to the Dean of the College along with any recommendation for corrective action.
- 5. The Dean shall review all recommendations made with regard to the unique policies and procedures of the College, approve any corrective actions, and adopt such modifications as may be needed to assure compliance with accreditation and regulatory standards.
- 6. The College shall retain all records of complaints received and provide a report of final disposition to the complainant when such is known. Students shall be apprised of their rights under this procedure through the annual catalog and public notices.
- 7. The College Catalog shall provide contact information for anyone wishing to file their complaint directly with the COCA.

#### **CROSS REFERENCE:**