Action plan based on the student feedback received in the 2nd Semester of the 2021/2022 Academic year

Department: Department of Surgical Research and Techniques Faculty: Faculty of Medicine

Referring to the student evaluations in the second semester of the academic year 2020/2021, the Department of Surgical Research and Techniques, Heart and Vascular Center of Semmelweis University, prepares the following action plans for the education of third-year students *Basic surgical techniques*.

Lectures of the Basic Surgical Techniques

7 lectures

188 registered students

287 valid assessment

In the 2021/2022 Academic Year our Department got higher points from the students. They were satisfied with our lectures mostly. There were only three questions where we got fewer points than the average of the Faculty. The students' participation was too low in the lectures which results in a worse evaluation of the benefit of the theoretical part.

For improving participation we promote our lectures and try to adapt to the expectation of this generation. We are working on making more interactive lectures.

Practices of the Basic Surgical Techniques

7 practices (3x45 minutes each)

188 registered students

287 valid assessment

We got high points for the practical part. The students felt useful our practices for K04 questions we got significantly higher points than the average of the Faculty.

In the practicals, we teach basic steps and techniques that are time-consuming for repeating and often seem monotonous. One student mentioned that studying the first stitching technique was too long and for the others, the time was too short. We would not like to change this because the stable basic knowledge is essential to the later practices.

Two students' opinion was that the exemption from the exam is not fair if a student wins one of our competitions.

Many students were happy to be exempted from the exam and, in proportion, we cannot take into account the opinion of the two mentioned students. We do not wish to take this criticism into account and do not intend to change it in the future.

There was another opinion that criticize the quality of the pig skin for suturing. We will change the skin more frequently so that the damaged skin does not disturb the students' practical development.

We consider it important to ask the students' opinions verbally at the end of the semester and to take further action based on this. This will be based on a short departmental 'feedback', where we will also ask for a short description and justification, which could help or further work.

Our staff is highly experienced and is committed to teaching, we will do our best to make our practices even more varied and to make our students feel the importance of the subject of Basic Surgical Techniques. We are always open to face-to-face discussion and welcome every supportive comments.