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GA 36-1. Authority

- 1.1 WV Code §18B-1-6
- 1.2 WV CSR §133-4

GA 36-2. WVSOM Values Statements

At the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine, our values shape who we are, guide our mission, and define our commitment to education, healthcare, and community. We are committed to the following core values:

1. Osteopathic Principles: We advance the principles of osteopathic medicine by emphasizing holistic care, prevention, and the body's natural capacity to heal.
2. Compassion and Care: We lead with compassion, placing empathy, respect, and kindness at the forefront of all we do.
3. Integrity and Professionalism: Integrity and professionalism guide our actions, ensuring accountability, transparency, and ethical decision-making.
4. Excellence and Lifelong Learning: Excellence and lifelong learning drive our pursuit of academic and clinical rigor through continuous education, research, and innovation.
5. Community and Service: We are dedicated to strengthening our community by fostering engagement, service, and support, particularly in rural and underserved areas.
6. Respect and Opportunity: We respect the unique worth of every individual and are committed to creating an inclusive environment that promotes access, equity, and opportunity.
7. Empowerment and Growth: Through empowerment and growth, we encourage self-discovery, confidence, and leadership, helping students and communities reach their fullest potential.