Guidelines for Documentation of a Intersystem Disability-Complex Chronic Medical Conditions

Complex Chronic Medical conditions must currently substantially limit a major life activity, including learning, to support eligibility under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Documentation must, therefore, support this eligibility, as well as any requests for reasonable accommodations. The following guidelines describe the necessary components of acceptable documentation for students with Intersystem Disabilities. Students are encouraged to provide their clinicians with a copy of these guidelines.

Students requesting accommodations on the basis of complex chronic medical conditions must provide documentation consisting of all the following:

- Medical or other licensed professional describing the nature of the disability including information pertaining to the history, expected course of treatment, and limitations resulting from the disability or treatments.

- Documentation must be recent in order to assess the current impact on academic functioning. The currency of documentation needed is assessed on a case to case basis by the SAO Director.

- Documentation must be comprehensive and establish clear evidence of a significant impact on academic functioning.

- Documentation must be relevant to requested accommodations.

*A Complex Chronic Medical Condition involves multiple morbidities that require the attention of multiple health care providers or facilities and possibly community (home)-based care.

*Please note that the University and Student Access Office reserve the right to deny services or accommodations while the receipt of appropriate documentation is pending.