Hello Class of 2027 students,

We are pleased to inform you that your VIC calendar is now available for Orientation week. Please follow these steps to access your VIC calendar:

1. Navigate to VIC Portal (<u>https://vicportal.med.uvm.edu</u>) and log in using your new COMID credentials.

2. Once logged in to VIC Portal, select the link to "Orientation (co2027)" found in the "Courses: Quick View" module.

3. To see your personalized digital calendar, click the "VIC Calendar" button. Select "Your Calendar" to view the Orientation Calendar. **Note: please toggle the calendar dates to the Orientation week of 8/7/2023-8/11/2023.** 

You will find each currently scheduled activity placed as an individual "session" in the calendar. Click on any session to view critical details and link to session content (e.g., slides or pre-readings depending on the session), which will display to the right of the calendar. For example, by clicking the 8/7 8:30am "Dean's Welcome" session, you will see that this required activity begins at 8:30am, ends at 9:00am, and is located in room Med Ed 200 (Sullivan Classroom). Please review the entire Orientation calendar now and again one day before the course begins. Some sessions will have prework assigned. The (i) on the calendar session means that all pre-work is available for that session (e.g., the "TBL Make It Stick" session at 8:30 am on 8/8 where the independent learning (AKA prework) is to read the book *Make It Stick*, which was mailed to you over the summer). Some activities are designed as small groups (e.g., 2:45pm on 8/7 "First Patient Debrief"). Once you are assigned to a small group, only your group will appear to you on the calendar with your group's time and location.

We are also releasing the VIC Portal page for your Professionalism, Communication, and Reflection (PCR) course. You will find this link on the VIC Portal home page. You will be assigned to a small group for the duration of your PCR course – your group will either meet on Tuesdays or Thursdays. The first PCR session will take place during Orientation, and the session will appear on your VIC Calendar along with other Orientation activities.

During Orientation, you will participate in community service activities the same afternoon you have PCR; on the opposite day (Tuesday or Thursday), you will participate in optional wellness activities. You will also see these assignments reflected in your VIC calendar. On your PCR day, lunch will be provided during the session so you can depart for community service immediately following PCR. On your wellness activities day, you will be responsible for lunch on your own.

Please be on the lookout for signup links for community service and wellness activities over the next

few days!

If you encounter any difficulty accessing the Orientation VIC Calendar, please call the COMTS Help Desk M-F 7:30am-4:00pm: **(802) 488-5553**.

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