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Group Reflection: Professional Identity and Strong Team-Oriented Foundation

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• Professional Identity Formation
  • Throughout our second year, we believe that we will develop our team-oriented stage and self-defined professional stage. Our first year helped us gain a strong foundation as an independent operator. The increased breadth of knowledge in our second year and focus on pathology will help improved the self-defined stage. As we deal with more complex situations, having a strong, defined foundation will help us remain successful in professional situations. As we move into our third year and rotations, having a strong team-oriented foundation will become very important. Our main goal is the patients health and we need to advocate for that using all of the skills that our team has
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• Are physician white coats becoming obsolete
  • As trends change over time, we have had many discussions about the significance of the white coat. Our short white coat served as a sense of pride and accomplishment on our pre-medical journey and acceptance in medical school. While we acknowledge the privilege of wearing this honorable medical symbol, we sometimes feel that it is not practical to wear often as a medical student. We are in a learning environment that is very team-based and we don’t want the coat to be seen as a status symbol and cause any issues in the team.