Immediate Family Tuition Discount

**Statement of Purpose:**
Saint James School of Medicine (“SJSM”) recognizes that the increasing cost of higher education has a serious impact on the ability of potential students to further their education; and this is especially true when a family consists of more than one prospective college student within a household. The cost often impedes a student and his or her family from considering their top choice of college/university. In an effort to allow potential students and their families to have access to, and the choice of considering SJSM, SJSM has established a tuition discount in situations where immediate family members attend the school.

**Policy:**
Immediate family includes spousal, parental, and sibling relationships. If two or more immediate family members are enrolled simultaneously as full-time students in SJSM, a tuition discount will be granted to the students. An exception exists to this rule for family members of SJSM alumni. Family member of SJSM alumni will receive the discount without simultaneous enrollment with another family member. A single family member of an SJSM alumnus will receive the discount as if two students were enrolled. Two or more family members of an SJSM alumnus will receive the discount for three or more students enrolled. The students must have been accepted for admission in accordance with all normal admission standards.

Tuition discount rates* for immediate family members enrolled full-time at SJSM are as follows:

**Schedule:**
1. One student enrolled – no discount
2. Two students enrolled – 10% tuition discount for each student in Basic Science, 5% tuition discount in Clinical Science tuition.
3. Three or more students enrolled – Basic Science: 10% tuition discount for the first two students; 20% discount for each subsequent student. Clinical Science: 5% tuition discount for all the students in the family.

- The discount shall be applied in order of the year of enrollment of each family member (i.e., first to enroll in the Basic Science program) and the discount shall continue to be applied based upon continuous years of enrollment at the school. If a family member has a break of two or more semesters, his/her date of enrollment for purposes of this policy will be void.
- In the event of a discount involving more than two immediate family members with the same date of enrollment, the higher discount rate shall apply to the lesser tuition cost. If tuition cost is the same, the discount rate distribution will be made at the discretion of the school.

*In the case where one (or multiple) family member(s) is awarded financial aid, the tuition discount rate will be applied to the charge after the financial aid has been applied.
The discount will continue so long as all the family members—for which discounts are received—are enrolled in the school. If one of the students withdraws/transfers, is expelled, takes unapproved leave of absence or remains inactive for more than 2 billing cycles, the remaining discounts for subsequent tuition charges will be calculated based on how many family members are still enrolled with the school.

A graduate of the school (alumni), for the purpose of this policy, will perpetually be considered an enrolled family member, so long as he/she maintains an active membership in the school’s alumni association.

This policy does not apply to fees and other charges.

This policy CANNOT be applied retroactively and will go into effect the first billing cycle following the approval and the announcement of the policy. The discount offered thru this policy cannot be combined with any other published tuition discount offering.

This policy supersedes and replaces any other arrangements for family tuition discount that may have been in place prior to the effective date of this policy.

**PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY FOR IMMEDIATE FAMILY TUITION DISCOUNT:**
The Finance Office shall demand adequate proof that a student is eligible for the immediate family tuition discount. In most cases the required proof would be a copy of a marriage certificate, birth certificate, or proof of adoption.