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OFFICE ORDER

INTERNAL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND STUDENT SUPPORT

Academic Session: 2026-27 | Centre of Legal Education: Faculty of Law, Oriental University, Indore

Reference: Bar Council of India Circular No. BCI: D: 1452/2026 dated 11.03.2026 (internal oversight and periodic independent review of counselling/wellness).

In pursuance of the above-referred directions and by order of the Competent Authority, the Internal Oversight Committee for Mental Health and Student Support is hereby constituted for Academic Session 2026-27 to review the Faculty of Law student-support, counselling and referral arrangements and identify institutional improvements.

1. Objectives

1. Evaluate the effectiveness, accessibility, sensitivity and continuity of institutional mental-health support.
2. Identify systemic barriers, service gaps and areas requiring preventive measures.
3. Review compliance and improve student support without accessing unnecessary confidential clinical information.

2. Composition

Sr. No.	Name	Designation	Responsibility
1	Dr. Usha Palhoeya	Dean / Senior institutional officer	Chairperson
2	Dr. Pratyakash Joshi	BCI Nodal Officer for Student Well-Being (or nominee)	Member
3	Ms Madhu Pushpkar	Woman faculty representative	Member
4	Dr. Mukesh Kori	Hostel Warden / student welfare representative	Member
5	Mr. Sachin Verma	Senior faculty mentor	Member
6	Mr. Millinder Solanki	Administrative compliance / records officer	Member Secretary

3. Powers

1. Seek anonymised service information, policy documents and implementation records from relevant units.
2. Recommend support-system improvements, staff sensitisation and approved emergency protocols.
3. Escalate identified serious institutional deficiencies to the competent authority for timely corrective action.

4. Functions

1. Conduct periodic independent / appropriately objective reviews of counselling access, referral reliability and crisis response.

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2. Evaluate student-facing publications, help-seeking access and staff training on early distress recognition.

3. Identify barriers related to discrimination, dignity, accessibility, empathy or student wellbeing.

4. Coordinate with the Nodal Officer, ICC, Anti-Ragging Committee and SGRC on systemic improvement without mixing confidential proceedings.

5. Duties and Responsibilities

1. Document meetings, review findings, recommendations, deadlines and status of corrective action.

2. Preserve privacy: use aggregated, anonymised data and do not demand unnecessary counselling notes.

3. Report system gaps and corrective action for institutional compliance and BCI monthly reporting.

4. Ensure urgent situations are immediately referred through crisis protocol, not deferred to committee meetings.

Implementation / Clarification: This is a quality-oversight mechanism, not a disciplinary or diagnostic body, and shall not request unnecessary confidential clinical records.

This Order shall take effect from the date of issuance and remain applicable for Academic Session 2026-27, unless modified or superseded by a subsequent order of the Competent Authority. All concerned shall ensure necessary compliance and maintenance of records.

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(Approved by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor)

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