1.0 **Policy/Purpose:** Employees may be expected or required to travel locally for job-related reasons. Occasional local travel will not be reimbursed. Local travel that is required as a frequent and essential part of the job will be reimbursed for mileage and for parking fees incurred in non-university-owned or leased parking; per diems do not apply. Reimbursement for frequent and essential local travel requires maintenance of a travel log and should not be requested more than once per month. Exceptions for unusual situations may be granted by the college’s chief Financial Officer or Associate Dean for Administration.

2.0 **Definitions:**

2.1 **Local travel:** Travel for work-related reason within a 15-mile radius of the employee's base work location that does not involve an overnight stay. Examples include, but are not limited to: travel between buildings on campus; travel between employee's base work location on campus and Sparrow Hospital; travel between Secchia Center and Pine Rest; travel to local retail outlets to purchase supplies.

2.2 **Frequent and essential local travel:** Local travel that is required in order for the employee to perform the essential functions of the job as described in the position description. Examples include: community outreach program specialists whose job it is to visit numerous physician offices in the community on a regular basis.

2.3 **Occasional Local Travel:** Local travel that occurs infrequently or irregularly and is not absolutely required in order for the employee to perform the essential functions of the job as described in the job description. Hourly employees may refuse a request from their supervisor for occasional local travel. Example: running an errand to purchase supplies at a local retail outlet.

3.0 **Procedures:**

3.1 If eligible as defined in the policy, document trip mileage on a travel log. An example of a log is included for your reference.

3.2 Request mileage and parking reimbursement by completing and submitting a Disbursement Voucher in the EBS system and attach Pre-Trip authorization, Travel Expense Report, and Mileage log (or MapQuest printout). Office of the Controller travel website: [http://ctlr.msu.edu/COTravel/Default.aspx](http://ctlr.msu.edu/COTravel/Default.aspx)

4.0 **Revision History:**

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