

UTHSCSA Graduate Medical Education Policies

Section 1	Administration and Organization	Effective: Revised:	October 2000 November 2006, January 2008, January 2009
Policy 1.1.	Statement of Institutional Commitment to Graduate Medical Education	Responsibility:	Associate Dean for Graduate Medical Education
<b>Statement of Institutional Commitment to Graduate Medical Education</b>			
Purpose	<p>The Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) requires that every sponsoring institution develop and periodically update a written statement of institutional commitment to GME that is dated and signed within one year of the next institutional review and indicates the support of the governing authority, the administration, and the GME leadership of the Sponsoring Institution. This statement constitutes a commitment to providing the necessary educational, financial, and human resources to support GME.</p>		
Policy	<p>The mission of the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio is to serve the needs of the citizens of Texas, the nation, and the world through programs committed to excellence and designed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Educate a diverse workforce of health care providers and scientists;</li> <li>• Engage in biomedical and clinical research to improve human health;</li> <li>• Provide state-of-the-art clinical care;</li> <li>• Enhance community health awareness and practices;</li> <li>• Address health disparities.</li> </ul> <p>Integral to this mission is the provision of superior health and medical services to meet the needs of our patients in the state and region, and the conduct of programs of research in human health and disease. Our commitment to conduct graduate medical education programs (residency training programs) furthers our mission of providing the highest quality medical care to our patients, and supports our mission of educating future generations of physicians to serve our community, our region, and the State of Texas.</p> <p>We hereby commit ourselves to offer graduate medical education that facilitates residents' professional, ethical, and personal development. The School of Medicine, as the Sponsoring Institution, and its GME programs, through curricula, evaluation, and resident supervision, support safe and appropriate patient care.</p> <p>In addition, we are a part of a comprehensive university. As faculty of the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, we engage in</p>		

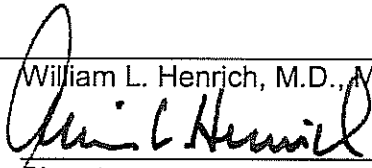
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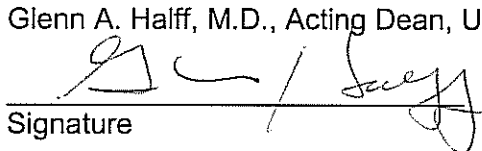
scholarly activity including research and will make available to resident physicians opportunities to participate in the scholarship of our medical community.

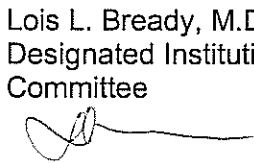
As the sponsoring institution for graduate medical education, we commit that all ACGME accredited residency programs will be in substantial compliance with the institutional requirements and the respective program requirements. We support an organized administrative system to oversee all residency programs through the activities of the Graduate Medical Education Committee and the Associate Dean for Graduate Medical Education. We commit appropriate resources to support the residents, their educational environment, and the graduate medical education programs.

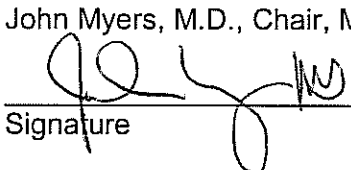
The governing authority, the administration and the teaching faculty and staff support this statement of commitment, developed by the Graduate Medical Education Committee.

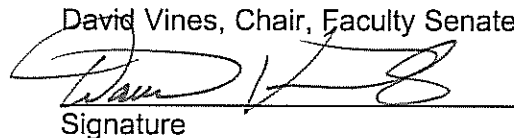
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