

## **Acknowledgement of GME Information Form for Applicants to GME Training at UT Health Science Center at San Antonio**

It is the policy of the GMEC that each GME program provide to all applicants invited to interview for a resident/fellow position information, in writing or by electronic means, the terms, conditions, and benefits of appointment to the ACGME-accredited program, either in effect at the time of the interview or that will be in effect at the time of his or her eventual appointment.

### **Resident's Contract (Training Agreement)**

The copy you will receive or view on-line is the current contract. We usually make small changes to the contract each year, primarily to incorporate new requirements of the accrediting agencies (ACGME, TJC, etc.) or of one or more of the governing entities (e.g., University Health System, UTHSCSA, the UT System, etc.). Thus, if you do match, the contract you are given may have some changes in it.

### **Visa Status**

Individuals who are not United States citizens must have U.S. Lawful Permanent Resident status, asylee or refugee status, or must obtain a J-1 visa sponsored by ECFMG except if applicants qualify for the following narrow exception for continued H-1B visa sponsorship. [Individuals who hold an employment authorization document Form I-766 (including those in J-2 status but not those granted employment authorization because of asylee/refugee status) must be sponsored for an ECFMG J-1 visa. They cannot engage in the residency training program solely based upon the employment authorization document.] UTHSCSA only sponsors residents for H-1B visas when an applicant is currently on an H-1B visa engaged in graduate medical training at another institution in the U.S. and is eligible to have the H-1B status transferred and extended for the duration of the program. More specific information is available at GME Policy 2.14a.

Therefore if you have held more than one consecutive nonimmigrant visa status in the U.S. and/or have applied for U.S. permanent residency, our residency program may not be appropriate for you:

- Multiple visas - you may not be able to obtain the visa sponsorship required under GME Policy 2.14.a in order to participate in the program if you match
- Applied for U.S. permanent residency – you may not be able to obtain permanent residency in time to enroll in the program if you match and/or you may not be able to obtain the visa sponsorship required under GME Policy 2.14.a in order to participate in the program if you match

Direct any questions to the UTHSCSA Office of International Services rather than to the GME Program.

### **Other Policies Related to Graduate Medical Education**

The entire GME Policy Manual is available to applicants (and others interested in GME) online at <http://www.uthscsa.edu/gme>. Applicants are strongly encouraged to become familiar with the contents of the website, which also includes current salaries and benefits.

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, have received or viewed a copy of the  
GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION AGREEMENT (the Resident's Contract), and agree  
to review all policies and other material available on the website above.

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Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date