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WEB ACCESSIBILITY

Policy

The UT Health Science Center at San Antonio strives to provide Web sites that are accessible to all users. The Health Science Center acknowledges its obligation to assure that its Web sites satisfy all applicable legal and regulatory requirements for accessibility by persons with disabilities.

The University adheres to The University of Texas System ("UT System") Policy <u>UTS 150</u>, "Access by Persons with Disabilities to Electronic and Information Resources Procured or Developed by The University of Texas System Administration and The University of Texas System Institutions", addressing the access by persons with disabilities to electronic and information resources that are procured and developed by UT System and the UT System institutions.

Technical standards that guide compliance are provided by Title 1, Rules §206.70, "Accessibility and Usability of Institutions of Higher Education Web Sites", §213.30, Texas Board of Nursing, "Declaratory Order of Eligibility for Licensure", and §213.35, "Functional Performance Criteria", of the Texas Administrative Code.

The University's Web sites are decentralized, and originate from separate segments within the University. Regardless of origin, all official University Web sites are held to the applicable accessibility standards set by state and federal laws.

Each University Web site is created and maintained by a University employee who is the "publisher" of the Web site. It is the responsibility of both the publisher of a University Web site and that publisher's Vice President, Dean, Chair and/or Director to ensure that such Web sites comply with all applicable accessibility laws, regulations, policies, and guidelines. In the event that a disabled individual requests a reasonable accommodation under the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) with respect to a Health Science Center Web site, then it is the responsibility of the ADA coordinator and the publisher of that Web site to comply with the *Handbook of Operating* Procedures, Section 4.2.3, "Request for Accommodations Under the ADA and ADA Amendments Act of 2008 (ADAAA)", in order to address that request for reasonable accommodation.

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The University promotes understanding of the laws, and the goals of Web accessibility by publishing links to the full text of Title 1, <u>Chapters 206</u>, "State Web Sites", and <u>213</u>, "Electronic and Information Resources", of the Texas Administrative Code.

The public is encouraged to direct comments, complaints or suggestions concerning any accessibility issues with the University's Web sites to:

American with Disabilities Act (ADA) Coordinator UT Health Science Center at San Antonio 7703 Floyd Curl Drive San Antonio, Texas 78229-3900

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