We make lives better

Ours is a story of discovery. Compassion and joy. Commitment, vision and inspiration. We engage our minds and talents, and give from our hearts, to help and heal. We touch the lives of thousands, to serve those in need, here and around the world. We are the UT Health Science Center - and we work to make lives better.

Facts at a glance

- Year established: 1959
- Year doors opened: 1968
- President: William L. Henrich, M.D., MACP
- Fall 2013 enrollment: 3,150, plus 1,021 residents and post-graduate trainees
- Total graduates: more than 29,000
- Total workforce: 5,500
- FY14 operating budget: $765.2 million
- Budget coming from state appropriations: 23 percent
- Annual research expenditures for FY13: $136 million
- Annual research awards and sponsored program activity for FY13: $164.5 million
- National Institutes of Health (NIH) FY13 grant funding: $65.3 million
- Ranked highly in Texas for aging research funding from the National Institute on Aging
- Endowments: $432 million market value
- Chief catalyst for the $29.2 billion biosciences and health care industry in San Antonio
- Ranked in the top 3 percent of all institutions worldwide receiving National Institutes of Health (NIH) funding
- Institute of Medicine (IOM) members: 6
- $17.7 million in uncompensated care in FY13

Our mission

The mission of The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio is to make lives better through excellence in education, research, health care and community engagement. Strategies for achieving this mission are:

- Educating a diverse student body to become excellent health care providers and scientists.
- Engaging in research to understand health and disease.
- Commercializing discoveries, as appropriate, to benefit the public.
- Providing compassionate and culturally proficient health care.
- Engaging our community to improve health.
- Influencing thoughtful advances in health policy.

Campuses

San Antonio
- Joe R. and Teresa Lozano Long Campus
- Greehey Academic and Research Campus
- Texas Research Park Campus
- Cancer Therapy & Research Center (CTRC)
- Medical Arts & Research Center (MARC)

South Texas
- Regional Campus, Laredo
- Regional Academic Health Center (RAHC)
- Medical Education Division, Harlingen
- Regional Academic Health Center (RAHC)
  Medical Research Division, Edinburg
The university’s schools of medicine, nursing, dentistry, health professions and graduate biomedical sciences have produced more than 29,000 graduates. The $765 million operating budget for fiscal year 2014 supports eight campuses in four cities: San Antonio, Laredo, Harlingen and Edinburg. For more information on the many ways “We make lives better®,” visit uthscsa.edu.

A bold South Texas vision

The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, one of the country’s leading health sciences universities, ranks in the top 3 percent of all institutions worldwide receiving National Institutes of Health (NIH) funding. Research awards and sponsored program activity, such as research supported by private gifts, totaled $164.5 million in fiscal year 2013.

Education
The Health Science Center is the major provider of health professions education and biomedical research in South Texas with 3,150 students plus 1,021 residents and post-graduate trainees enrolled annually in five schools: the School of Medicine, the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, the Dental School, the School of Nursing and the School of Health Professions. The five schools offer 68 health-related degree specialties and pre- and post-baccalaureate certificate programs.

Designated by the U.S. Department of Education as a Hispanic-serving Institution, the Health Science Center consistently ranks among the top schools in the nation for graduating Hispanic health care providers.

The Regional Campus in Laredo also offers degree programs and clinical education for dental students and residents.

Through the Regional Academic Health Center (RAHC) in Harlingen, third- and fourth-year medical students gain valuable clinical training.

The university also offers joint programs in public health with The University of Texas Health Science Center Houston; in pharmacy with The University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA); and in translational science with UTSA, UT Austin and the UT School of Public Health (San Antonio Regional Campus).

Research
The Health Science Center ranks in the top 3 percent of all institutions worldwide receiving National Institutes of Health (NIH) funding. In October 2013, the Health Science Center received a $22.7 million Clinical and Translational Science Award (CTSA) from the NIH, and is one of only 61 institutions nationwide awarded CTSA designation.

Priority research areas at the Health Science Center include: aging, cancer, cardiovascular health, diabetes, infectious diseases, musculoskeletal health, neurosciences, oral health, transplantation and women’s health. Research support utilizes six strategic innovative technologies: nanomedicine, regenerative medicine, proteomics, bioinformatics, biomedical imaging and genomics.

Completed in 2011, the three-story, 190,000-square-foot South Texas Research Facility houses the Health Science Center’s growing research enterprise that is accelerating the translation of basic research discoveries into new treatments and cures to save lives.

Patient care
Faculty at the UT Health Science Center treat patients through UT Medicine San Antonio, South Texas’ largest multispecialty practice; University Health System, the Cancer Therapy & Research Center (CTRC) at the UT Health Science Center, the South Texas Veterans Health Care System, CHRISTUS Santa Rosa Health Care; and other facilities. The South Texas practice area covers 39 counties and stretches west from San Antonio to the border, and south to Mexico. The majority of these counties are considered by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to be Health Professional Shortage Areas.

The Health Science Center’s 250,000-square-foot Medical Arts & Research Center (MARC) offers state-of-the-art patient care under UT Medicine San Antonio and its Cancer Therapy & Research Center (CTRC) is one of only four National Cancer Institute (NCI)-designated cancer centers in Texas. In 2013, the Dental School, regarded as one of the top in the nation, will open its new 108,000-square-foot Center for Oral Health Care & Research. The interdisciplinary coordination of research and patient care is regarded as one of the university’s great strengths.

Community service
The Health Science Center serves San Antonio and the 53,000-square-mile area of South Texas. The institution’s outreach extends well beyond its eight campuses through its affiliations with numerous community, university and military partners in South Texas, including the Rio Grande Valley.

Through partnerships with hospitals, clinics and other health care providers, the university contributes approximately $17.7 million in uncompensated health care to the uninsured and underinsured annually. Faculty and students provide medical care and increase health awareness throughout the community, particularly among vulnerable populations. The goal is to improve the health of San Antonio as a whole. Students also have opportunities to serve communities in resource-poor settings such as Ethiopia, Haiti and the Texas-Mexico border.