



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER

Operating Policy and Procedure

HSC OP: 01.05, **Delegation of Authority by the Chancellor**

PURPOSE: The purpose of this Health Sciences Center Operating Policy and Procedure (HSC OP) is to establish a clear delegation of authority to facilitate the management of TTUHSC matters by permitting as many decisions as possible to be made at lower levels in the chain of command and thereby to permit the Chancellor to devote proper time to items of major executive concern.

REVIEW: This HSC OP will be reviewed on June 1 of each even-numbered year (ENY), with recommendations for revisions forwarded to the Chancellor by July 1.

POLICY/PROCEDURE:

1. Authority.

- a. The Legislature in Chapters 109, 110, and in Section 51.352, Texas Education Code, delegates to the Board of Regents the power and authority to govern, control and direct the policies of TTUHSC.
- b. Section 109.23 of the Texas Education Code directs the Board of Regents to "provide a chief executive officer, who shall devote his attention to the executive management of the University and who shall be directly accountable to the Board." Section 110.04 states, "The chief executive officer of Texas Tech University is also the chief executive officer of the Health Sciences Center under the authority of Section 109.23 of this code."
- c. The Board of Regents exercises its powers and authorities in the governance of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center through the Chancellor.
- d. The Chancellor is the chief executive officer of the Texas Tech University System. The Chancellor reports to and is responsible to the Board of Regents. The Chancellor has direct line responsibility for all aspects of TTU/TTUHSC's operations.
- e. In order to facilitate the management of TTUHSC while still retaining the overall responsibility and accountability vested in the Chancellor by the Board of Regents, the Chancellor delegates to the President of TTUHSC the authority of chief executive officer of TTUHSC. The President of TTUHSC may make further delegation to selected administrators. These administrators may further delegate responsibilities to heads of activities under their jurisdiction; however, an individual to whom the President has delegated authority is still primarily responsible, irrespective of any further delegation by the administrator to subordinate officers.