



## DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACY PRACTICE, SCHOOL OF PHARMACY

**MISSION:** The Department of Pharmacy Practice is committed to advancing the profession of pharmacy and its professional and scientific knowledge base to demonstrate: (1) the relevance of pharmacists and their patient care services to the health care delivery system, (2) the importance of clinical and translational research to policy makers and the health care industry, and (3) the impact of Doctor of Pharmacy graduates on patient care clinical, economic and humanistic outcomes.

**VISION:** The Department of Pharmacy Practice will be recognized as a national leader in:

- Clinical and translational research in experimental pharmacotherapeutics, drug safety, microbial endocrinology and outcomes research evaluating pharmacists impact within the health care system.
- Training of clinician / educators through its accredited post Pharm.D residency programs.

Our vision is attainable because the Department of Pharmacy Practice is an environment where:

- Students and patients are our highest priorities.
- Diverse opinions are encouraged and respected.
- Excellence is sought in all we do.
- Professional education relates to contemporary and future practice models.
- Leadership opportunities for the faculty and staff abound and are nurtured.
- Practitioners in a variety of health care settings are integrated into our teaching programs.
- Scholarship is embraced as an opportunity and privilege for all assistant, associate and full professors.

### **Teaching Goals**

- Create a Department manpower/staffing analysis for the P1 and P2 Introductory to Pharmacy Practice Courses, Pharmacy Practice laboratory courses, and integrate with other departmental academic course teaching responsibilities.
- Analyze the incorporation of active learning sessions in courses primarily using the "lecture" format and quantify the additional Department staffing requirements created by implementing the active learning activities on each of the four campuses.
- Quantify the impact of curriculum delivery methodology on Department faculty manpower demands created by the VCS system including the mandate that all classrooms have a faculty member present for each class system regardless of origin of the class as applied to all P1 and P2 courses.

- Create an interdepartmental pharmaceutical sciences/pharmacy practice task force to create a guideline statement for the interaction of interdepartmental faculty when delivering the team taught pharmacotherapy courses. Apply this jointly endorsed guideline to each P2 and P3 pharmacotherapy course beginning in fall 2008.
- Implement a student portfolio system concentrating on application to the experiential courses.

### **Pharmacy Practice Goals**

- Prospectively create and implement a faculty coverage plan for faculty engaged in practice contracts when such plans are deemed necessary by department leadership and faculty.
- Design and structure each faculty member's practice so that a functional statement of responsibilities guides the faculty member's practice activities and addresses the needs of team practice including engagement of other faculty and staff at the contractual practice site.
- Reevaluate and define the role of assistant instructors (residents) and clinicians employed by the partner practice sites and integrate with faculty member's functional responsibilities so as to promote team based care.

### **Scholarship and Research Goals**

- Non-tenure track faculty will author or co-author at least one peer reviewed publication annually.
- Tenure track faculty will author or co-author at least two peer reviewed publications annually.
- Each published paper should be categorized as to high, medium, or low impact using the ISI rating as a guideline.
- Establish The Texas Tech UHSC SOP Center for Experimental Therapeutics, as a cornerstone of the CTSA grant, in concert with a strategic plan endorsed by both TTUHSC and UT Southwestern leadership.
- Initiate development activities leading to establishment of the Texas Institute for Drug Safety by targeting national and state funding sources and private donors in concert with a strategic plan endorsed by TTUHSC and UT Southwestern leadership.