## TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER SCHOOL OF MEDICINE GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION

## STATEMENT OF INSTITUTIONAL COMMITMENT

As a comprehensive health sciences center, the mission of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC) is to enrich the lives of others by educating students to become collaborative health care professionals, providing excellent patient care, and advancing knowledge through innovative research. TTUHSC operates six schools through its component academic and administrative centers in Lubbock and regional campuses, serving patients and driving medical discovery across West Texas, with worldwide impact. Through our values-based culture, TTUHSC is committed to cultivating an exceptional workplace community with a positive culture putting people first. Five core values-One Team, Kindhearted, Integrity, Visionary, and Beyond Service-are integral to our purpose, and we aim to align with those values on a daily basis.

In addition to undergraduate medical education leading to the M.D. degree, TTUHSC, through the School of Medicine, sponsors a wide range of post-graduate medical education (residency/fellowship) programs of clinical training leading to specialty and subspecialty board certification through its Graduate Medical Education program (GME). The mission of TTUHSC GME is to provide an organized medical education program with guidance for and supervision of the resident/fellow and facilitating the resident/fellow's ethical, professional and personal development, to become collaborative health care professionals providing excellent patient care and advancing knowledge through innovative research. The goals of these programs are to develop competent and compassionate physicians who provide the highest quality care for the citizens of West Texas and beyond, who participate in scholarly activity, and who contribute to academic and community leadership.

In support of these goals, TTUHSC is committed to acquire and provide GME the necessary administrative, educational, financial, human, and clinical resource support, and to forming and maintaining alliances with hospitals and other clinical organizations to provide appropriate patient care experiences for residents and fellows. Considerations and conditions of those alliances are made on educational criteria. In addition, the School of Medicine is committed to recruit and support high quality faculty and support staff, and to facilitate the professional development of faculty, residents and fellows.

To assure the best possible education, the School of Medicine holds all programs to high academic and professional standards by ongoing internal and external evaluation of curriculum, of resident's acquisition of knowledge and skills, and of instruction and supervision. The standards include but are not confined to those promulgated by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education and the American Board of Medical Specialties.

The TTUSHC and School of Medicine are committed to the goal of developing outstanding health care professionals and demonstrating excellence in patient care, professionalism, scholarly activity and leadership.

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