

## Statement of Institutional Commitment to Graduate Medical Education

The University of Tennessee Graduate School of Medicine (UT GSM) in Knoxville Tennessee, as an ACGME accredited Sponsoring Institution, is committed to exemplary graduate medical education that facilitates the professional, ethical and personal development of our residents and fellows in a safe and supportive clinical learning environment. As a sponsoring institution, the UT GSM is committed to and assures that the educational, financial, administrative and clinical resources support graduate medical and dental education.

The Dean of the Graduate School of Medicine (GSM) has delegated authority and responsibility to the Designated Institutional Official (DIO) and the Graduate Medical and Dental Education Committee for the oversight and administration of the GME programs. The GSM under the Dean's leadership ensures that:

- The DIO has sufficient financial support and protected time to effectively carry out the educational and administrative responsibilities and engages in professional development applicable to the responsibilities of an educational leader.
- The GME Office has sufficient salary support and resources to allow for effective administration of the graduate medical and dental education programs.
- All the program directors and the program coordinators have sufficient financial support and protected time to effectively conduct their educational, administrative and leadership responsibilities to their respective programs.
- All programs receive adequate support for core faculty members to ensure both effective supervision and quality resident/fellow education;
- All program directors and core faculty members engage in professional development applicable to their responsibilities as educational leaders;
- All program coordinators have sufficient support and time to effectively carry out their responsibilities; and,
- Sufficient resources, including space, technology, and supplies, are available to provide effective support for each of its ACGME-accredited programs

The GSM mission is in concert with the goals and initiatives of our clinical partner, University Health System Incorporated (UHS). We work with their administration and staff to fulfill all of the regulatory requirements of the ACGME, ACCME, JCAHO, SACS, the State of Tennessee and other appropriate accrediting bodies. Together, the UT Graduate School of Medicine and University Health System, Inc. form the University of Tennessee Medical Center in Knoxville (UTMC).

The UTMC Governing Body for GME (GME Executive Leadership Board) is responsible for the ultimate oversight and institutional support of the GSM graduate medical and dental programs.

