

Approved by the Board of Trustees
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RESOLUTION CONCERNING COLLEGE OF MEDICINE ON THE URBANA-
CHAMPAIGN CAMPUS

Action: Resolution concerning College of Medicine on the Urbana-Champaign Campus

Funding: Carle Health System in Partnership with the Urbana-Champaign campus

The health care enterprise of the University of Illinois is of great importance to the University and to the State of Illinois. The Academic Health Center (AHC), comprised of the hospital, clinics, and the health science colleges at the University's Chicago campus, working together with regional campuses in Urbana, Peoria, and Rockford, provides multiple benefits to the people of Illinois, including patient care, teaching, and research activities.

The Board of Trustees has received a proposal from the Urbana-Champaign campus to develop an engineering-focused program leveraging the strengths and breadth of its highly-ranked College of Engineering to establish a separately accredited College of Medicine on the Urbana-Champaign campus. The college would provide an intensive educational and research experience based on the intersection of engineering, technology, big data, and medicine. The proposal includes a partnership with Carle Health System ("Carle") and would be complementary to programs offered at the other regional medical colleges and Chicago within the University. Consistent with this proposal are ongoing

negotiations concerning a draft Memorandum of Understanding between Carle and the University on behalf of its Urbana-Champaign campus that would constitute a non-binding, good faith commitment to this proposed project.

At its meeting on November 13, 2014, the Board of Trustees directed the President of the University to investigate several factors regarding the Urbana-Champaign Campus' proposal, including current health sciences programming and the impact on the State and University; overarching challenges and options for resolving challenges; budget; and risk mitigation. The Board directed the President to report back and provide recommendations regarding these concerns. The President has met with several groups and individuals within the University and has received recommendations regarding the issue from the Urbana-Champaign Campus Senate and the University Senates Conference.

The President recommends approval of the Urbana-Champaign proposal. The Board of Trustees therefore directs the President, in consultation with the Chicago campus and the Urbana-Champaign campus, to initiate implementation actions and to report back on the progress at the May 7, 2015, Board of Trustees meeting. Specific areas to be considered in the progress report include:

- The future of the current Medical Scholars Program (M.D./Ph.D.) within the Urbana-Champaign regional campus that involves both campuses (Chicago and Urbana-Champaign);
- The future of current non-Medical Scholars Program students;

- Presentation of the final agreement with Carle for consideration and approval by the Board of Trustees, or presentation of an update on the progress of negotiations;
- Final submission of a comprehensive business plan; and,
- Plans for a governance structure that will facilitate collaboration between the Chicago campus and the Urbana-Champaign campus.

Regarding the existing University of Illinois at Chicago College of Medicine:

- The future of the existing regional campus programs (including the M-1 program) located at the Urbana-Champaign campus remains with the dean of the University of Illinois College of Medicine; and,
- The Chicago College of Medicine retains the official name of the University of Illinois College of Medicine.

In addition, the President recommends, and the Board hereby concurs, that the Memorandum of Understanding, and any subsequent agreement with Carle concerning this matter, include a provision indicating that if for any reason Carle is unable or unwilling to execute the Agreement and perform its obligations under it, the University will not seek to replace Carle as a partner and clinical provider and will not pursue a separately accredited College of Medicine on the Urbana-Champaign campus.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes*, *The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.