

Board Meeting  
September 9, 2011

APPROVE REVISIONS TO MISSION STATEMENT ON GRADUATE MEDICAL  
EDUCATION, COLLEGE OF MEDICINE AND UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS  
MEDICAL CENTER AT CHICAGO

**Action:** Approve Revisions to Mission Statement of Graduate Medical Education,  
College of Medicine and University of Illinois Medical Center at Chicago

**Funding:** No New Funding Required

The Accreditation Council on Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) requires institutions sponsoring graduate medical education programs to have, among other requirements, a mission statement specifically delineating the institution's commitment to graduate medical education. This is a key "institutional requirement" without which accreditation cannot be granted.

The ACGME also requires review of the mission statement and approval of any revisions by the institution's governing body within one year of an upcoming institutional site visit. It is anticipated that the ACGME will conduct an institutional site visit at the University of Illinois at Chicago in October 2011.

The original mission statement, which was approved by the Board of Trustees on January 13, 2000, and updated on July 15, 2004, has recently been rewritten to meet current ACGME requirements, and to reflect the changing priorities in medical education throughout the College of Medicine. The rewritten mission statement below

has been approved by the executive committee, the faculty, the interim dean of the College of Medicine, and the chief medical officer of the University of Illinois Medical Center.

“Educating and Training Residents and Fellows to meet the ever-evolving health needs of the great State of Illinois, the nation and the world is paramount to the mission of the University of Illinois Graduate Medical Education Program and Office. We strive to prepare future physicians of diverse backgrounds to serve the populace with expertise, integrity and compassion, grounded in evidenced-based knowledge, skill, practice, and professionalism. We seek to impact and assure the viability, quality and advancement of our healthcare system and network by instilling in our trainees the necessity for life-long learning as a critical component of safe and appropriate care of patients.

The Graduate Medical Education Office provides a structured environment that facilitates our educational programs’ ability to assist our trainees in their personal and professional development, while fostering learning environments where our trainees can excel in clinical service, research and teaching. All standards for our educational programs are grounded in the core competencies of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education.

In fulfilling our commitment to Graduate Medical Education, we have the support of the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois, Deans of the College of Medicine, university and hospital administrators, faculty of the College of Medicine, and the membership of the Graduate Medical Education Committee. All are committed to providing and advocating for the necessary educational, financial and human resources needed and required to support graduate medical education programs in a comprehensive manner here at the University of Illinois College of Medicine at Chicago.”

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.

The Vice President, University of Illinois, and Chancellor, University of Illinois at Chicago recommends approval.

The President of the University concurs.