I. SCHOOL OF MEDICINE INFORMATION

At the time of this publication, the medical school curriculum is in the midst of reform and processes, procedures, and policies are under review to ensure congruence in the medical education program. Necessary revisions will be communicated with all parties via official School of Medicine (SOM) channels. The SOM continuous programmatic and curricular evaluation system, under the direction of the Curriculum Committee, may recommend and implement changes prior to the next publication cycle when, in the interest of accreditation compliance and student success, change is deemed necessary.

A. Brief History

In April 1959 Texas Governor Price Daniel signed House Bill 9 to establish the South Texas Medical School, the first component of the institution that would soon become the UT Health Science Center at San Antonio. In July 1968 the medical school, now known as The UT School of Medicine at San Antonio (SOM), and the Bexar County Teaching Hospital, now known as University Hospital, were dedicated. Thirty-three medical students graduated with the Doctor of Medicine degree in the first medical school commencement in June 1970. In 1998 the Texas State Legislature authorized the creation the Regional Academic Health Center (RAHC) in the Lower Rio Grande Valley, to be administered by the SOM, and in June 2002 the RAHC opened its doors to train medical students and residents. Today there are nearly 900 medical students receiving their education at the SOM.

B. Mission Statement

The mission of the UT School of Medicine at San Antonio is to provide responsive and comprehensive education, research and service of the highest quality in order to meet the health-related needs of the citizens of Texas. In all aspects of fulfilling this mission, the School of Medicine is committed to fostering the broadest diversity and inclusion that ensures successful achievement of the institutional priorities to:

- Cultivate a pervasive, adaptive and respectful environment promoting diversity, inclusion, equity, professionalism, humanism and opportunity
- Provide exemplary medical education and training to a diverse body of health career professionals at all levels while fostering a commitment to scholarship, leadership and life-long learning across the educational continuum
- Build and sustain recognized leadership, and advance scholarship excellence across the biomedical and health-related research spectrum
- Deliver exemplary and compassionate health care to enhance every patient's quality of life
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- Serve as a responsive resource to address community health needs whether local or global
- Attain health equity for the diverse patient population of South Texas

C. Accreditation

The UT School of Medicine at San Antonio is fully accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME), the nationally recognized body for the accreditation of medical education programs leading to the Doctor of Medicine degree in the United States.

D. Confidentiality

The SOM and HSC will, to the extent possible, maintain the confidentiality of information received as a result of the charges and investigation.