GMEC RESPONSIBILITIES AND COMPOSITION

The Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) requires every sponsoring institution to have a Graduate Medical Education Committee (GMEC) to provide institutional oversight for graduate medical education. Some of the responsibilities of this committee are to establish and implement policies and procedures regarding the quality of education and the work environment for Residents/Fellows, review and make recommendations regarding Resident/Fellow stipends and benefits, establish and maintain oversight of Program Directors, establish and implement policies regarding duty hours, ensure programs provide appropriate supervision, review all ACGME program accreditation letters, and approve correspondence to the ACGME. The GMEC of the UTCOM Chattanooga is chaired by the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Designated Institutional Official (DIO) for the ACGME. Usually ten meetings are conducted each year – one each month with the exception of June and December.

Program and Department members include:
Chairs and Program Directors from each accredited program or academic department serves as members of the GMEC. At least one from each department should attend each meeting or designate a representative:

- Emergency Medicine
- Family Medicine
- Internal Medicine
- Hospice and Palliative Medicine
- OB/GYN
- Orthopaedic Surgery
- Pediatrics
- Plastic Surgery
- Radiology
- Surgery
- Transitional Year

Other members include:  Dean, UTCOMC
Director of Graduate and Medical Student Education
Erlanger Administrator and Chief Medical Officer
House Staff Association President
Peer Selected Resident/Fellow Representatives (Emergency Medicine, Family Medicine, Internal Medicine, Hospice and Palliative Medicine, OB/GYN, Orthopaedic Surgery, Pediatrics, Plastic Surgery, Surgery, and Transitional Year)

Ex Officio Members include:
Fellowship Program Directors for Geriatric Medicine, Colon and Rectal Surgery, Surgical Critical Care, and Vascular Surgery
Chief, Department of Pathology
Director of Research, UTCOMC
Associate General Counsel, UT System
Business Manager, UTCOMC
University House Staff Association Officers (other than the President)
Associate Program Directors

Reviewed and Approved by the GMEC, 2/22/2011.