

21.06 Clinical Healthcare Operations

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Policy Summary

Clinical healthcare operations are essential to the maintenance of high-quality academic programs and critical to the financing of the Texas A&M University Health Science Center (TAMHSC). This policy provides a regulatory and compliance framework that applies to the implementation of a TAMHSC faculty practice plan (TAMHSC Practice Plan). The purpose of the TAMHSC Practice Plan is to govern the management of the clinical practice of faculty members in the schools and colleges of the TAMHSC to promote excellence in teaching, research and human patient care, and to ensure compliance with applicable legal requirements.

Policy

1. PRACTICE PLAN AND ADDITIONAL STANDARDS

- 1.1 The clinical practice of faculty members in the schools and colleges of the TAMHSC must be performed through a TAMHSC Practice Plan authorized and administered in accordance with this policy, except as otherwise approved in accordance with the TAMHSC Practice Plan.
- 1.2 The senior vice president must submit the TAMHSC Practice Plan, including any amendments, to the System Office of General Counsel for review and approval as to form and legal sufficiency and to the president of Texas A&M University (president) and to the chancellor or designee(s) for approval.
- 1.3 The chancellor will develop a regulation describing additional governance, compliance and operational standards required for the TAMHSC Practice Plan.

2. AUTHORIZED PROFESSIONAL BUSINESS EXPENDITURES

The senior vice president will annually review and amend, if necessary, the list of authorized professional business expenditures for the TAMHSC Practice Plan.

3. PRACTICE PLAN BUDGET

The senior vice president must submit the annual budget for the TAMHSC Practice Plan to the president and The Texas A&M University System (system) chief financial officer for review. After review, the TAMHSC Practice Plan budget will be incorporated into Texas A&M University's annual operating budget developed and approved in accordance with System Policy 27.03, *Annual Operating Budget Process*.

4. AUDITS

The TAMHSC Practice Plan will be subject to regular audits on a schedule to be determined by the chief auditor in accordance with System Policy *10.01, Internal Auditing*.

5. REPORTS

The senior vice president will annually submit financial and management reports of the TAMHSC Practice Plan to the board through the president and chancellor or designee(s).

Member Rule Requirements

A rule is not required to supplement this policy.

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