OCHSNER CLINIC FOUNDATION
STATEMENT OF INSTITUTIONAL COMMITMENT TO
GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION

Graduate Medical Education is key to the ability of Ochsner Clinic Foundation (OCF) to support the philosophy and achieve the mission and goals of the organization.

It is our firm belief that sponsoring graduate medical education programs that are properly structured, monitored and evaluated leads to improved quality of care and collaborative relationships. It also provides an environment that promotes greater awareness of the individual responsibility for healthy lifestyles on the part of the patient population. Additionally, the presence of prominent educational programs allows for the recruitment and retention of medical professionals who are dedicated to promoting excellence in patient care.

OCF will continue to provide graduate medical education programs that emphasize personal, clinical and professional development and encourage an awareness of and responsiveness to patient-oriented, cost-effective, ethical and humanistic health care. There will be emphasis on programs that educate generalists while continuing our traditional role in education of specialized physicians. OCF will continue to evaluate opportunities to work with other educational institutions in fulfilling its educational role.

In support of its education programs, the OCF will provide the educational, financial, and human resources necessary. OCF will ensure that all of its graduate medical education programs meet or exceed all Institutional, Common and Special Requirements promulgated by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education and its individual Residency Review Committees.

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