



INSTITUTIONAL COMMITMENT TO GRADUATE MEDICAL AND DENTAL EDUCATION POLICY

Nationwide Children's Hospital (NCH) aims to create a comprehensive, integrated pediatric healthcare delivery system which provides access to the highest quality of care for all children and their families regardless of ability to pay. A knowledgeable, skilled, fully-engaged workforce is vital to that aim.

In our journey to best outcomes, NCH trains the next generation of medical and dental professionals to meet the health care needs of patients with childhood illnesses/conditions and their families. Education is a cornerstone of our CARES (patient Care, Advocacy, Research, Education, and Service) mission and is one of the four core strategies of our Strategic Plan (One Team Values, Operational Excellence, Education, and Growth/Partnerships).

A robust clinical learning environment is the foundation of a vibrant high reliability organization. NCH pledges the necessary financial support and clinical, administrative, educational, and scientific resources to enable its GME/Dental Education programs to:

- ◆ Demonstrate excellence in:
 - clinical care (patient safety, healthcare quality including health equity, transitions in care, supervision of care delivery)
 - resident/fellow performance (knowledge, skills, scholarly activities, QI, communication, professionalism, wellness/fatigue/stress management),
 - teaching and education through faculty and trainee development
- ◆ Leadership in academics and professional organizations
- ◆ Prepare primary care *and* specialty practitioners to provide the highest quality, evidence-based, cost effective, pediatric-related clinical care.
- ◆ Improve access to quality pediatric-related health care and enhance wellness of newborns, infants, children, adolescents, and adults with childhood-related diseases through health promotion, disease prevention, and community health initiatives.
- ◆ Prepare future medical educators and researchers to create new knowledge and advance fields impacting children and adults with childhood-related diseases/conditions.

The GME/Dental Education programs are guided by standards established by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME), Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA), and other accreditation and regulatory organizations.

The GME Committee (GMEC) and Designated Institutional Official (DIO) regularly assess the quality of programs, track trainee performance, and measure programs'

outcomes. The GMEC and DIO assure that NCH maintains an ethical, professional, educationally rich clinical and academic environment for all trainees. These results are shared at least annually with the Board of Directors and the organized Medical Staff.

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