

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

The Division of Continuing Medical Education (CME) was established to provide medical education activities to physicians who have completed their training, as well as support in graduate medical education programs. The CME Division is concerned with addressing the continuing medical education needs of physicians residing in the tri-county area of metropolitan Detroit, as well as the needs of the other physicians in the state and country.

Various special conferences, symposia and workshops, lasting one to five days, are offered under the academic sponsorship of the departments in the Medical School. Physicians from Michigan and many other states and countries attend meetings which reflect new discoveries and changes in needs and interests in medicine. Every effort is made to assist physicians in their continuing efforts to increase their competence and to improve their skills on behalf of the patients they serve.

In addition to these special programs, 'continuing' activities of one- to two-hour duration are scheduled at regular intervals during the year. Physicians are encouraged to participate in the departmental workshops, teaching rounds and grand rounds that meet their interests or needs; they are conducted in the clinical settings of Wayne State University and the Detroit Medical Center.

Other types of CME activities offered by the Wayne State University School of Medicine include journal based CME, web based CME and CME associated with Learning from Teaching.

There are increasing pressures on practicing physicians to maintain and update their professional competence and skills. Wayne State University School of Medicine is striving to respond to these needs through continuing medical education. Inquiries may be directed to the Division for information about programs on specific subjects or programs for specific medical specialties.

Accreditation (CME)

Wayne State University School of Medicine is accredited by the Accreditation Council of Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to sponsor continuing medical education (CME) for physicians. As an accredited sponsor of CME, the School designates certain of its continuing medical education offerings as meeting the criteria for Category 1 of the Physician's Recognition Award of the American Medical Association, and for the requirements for license renewal by the Michigan Medical Practice Board. Other certifications from various medical specialty societies and boards are secured for individual offerings as may be required.

Graduate Medical Education Program (GME)

Graduate Medical Education (GME) at Wayne State University (WSU) is an essential element of a diverse and rich academic environment encompassing many specialties and sub-specialties in the practice of medicine. The residency programs directly impact the lives of thousands through patient care, but most importantly through the educational mission that reaches beyond hospitals to the community. Graduate Medical Education at WSU produces exceptional physicians who are committed to provide outstanding care to the communities we serve including not only the city of Detroit and the surrounding metropolitan area, but the state of Michigan and beyond. GME provides service to our communities, support to our peers, and training to our residents, and extends our medical knowledge, compassion and skills toward our

mission of patient safety and quality healthcare for today and tomorrow. Wayne State University as a sponsoring institution has achieved the maximum Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) accreditation status with no citations and a commendation. The next site visit is scheduled in 2024.

WSU is the sole sponsoring institution of ten Graduate Medical Education programs for 150 residents and fellows in the following areas:

- Anesthesiology
- Brain Imaging Medicine
- Dermatology
- Family Medicine
- Internal Medicine
- Ophthalmic Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery
- Otolaryngology
- Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
- Urology
- Transitional Year.

These programs are based mainly with our hospital partners to assure an optimal learning environment: Ascension Crittenton Hospital, Beaumont Health Hospitals – Taylor and Dearborn, St. Joseph Mercy Oakland Hospital, Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute, and John Dingell Veterans Administration Medical Center.

The School of Medicine, through its Graduate Medical Education Committee (GMEC) and the Office of Graduate Medical Education, holds the ultimate responsibility for all GME programs sponsored by the university. The Office of GME tracks program outcome measures, conducts extensive internal reviews of each GME program, and ensures that each program teaches and assesses the ACGME general competencies and associated milestones in the areas of: patient care, medical knowledge, practice-based learning and Improvement, interpersonal and communication skills, professionalism, and systems-based practice. Other GME office responsibilities include:

- Demonstrating an overall commitment to GME;
- Maintaining affiliation agreements with other institutions participating in GME;
- Monitoring the Joint Commission status of participating institutions;
- Ensuring that formal quality assurance programs are conducted at participating institutions;
- Monitoring eligibility and selection of residents;
- Monitoring all aspects of resident appointment;
- Ensuring resident participation in:
 - educational and professional activities,
 - patient safety and quality of care education,
- Overseeing the residents' work environment; and adhering to the ACGME Duty Hour standards.
- Development and implementation of residency and faculty educational programs,
- Oversight of Graduate Medical Education Committee,
- Designing curricula and oversee the development of scholarship and research,
- Organizing an annual GME orientation and
- Overall design and implementation of policies and procedures adhering to the ACGME requirements.

All program participants are involved in a system of graduate teaching responsibilities within the realm of clinical diagnosis and patient care, including contribution to the teaching of medical students who

rotate through the clinical department. Orientation programs, teaching conferences and seminars, bedside teaching, and a wide variety of supervised surgical and technical training are a systematic part of the graduate medical education of the physicians in the various specialty programs.

In addition to the WSU-sole sponsored programs, the SOM has affiliated GME programs with two major regional health care systems: Detroit Medical Center and Henry Ford Health System.