

## **GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION POLICIES** Non-Competition Guarantees/Restrictive Covenants

## ACGME Policies

IV.M. Non-competition. The Sponsoring Institution must maintain a policy which states that neither the Sponsoring Institution nor any of its ACGME-accredited programs will require a resident/fellow to sign a non-competition guarantee or restrictive covenant.

## **Background**

The Tilman J, Fertitta Family College of Medicine (COM) and its ACGME-accredited training programs are committed to graduating well-trained physicians, ready to practice independently and without supervision in the specialty of their choice. It is a part of the COM mission to retain graduates to continue serving the communities where they trained, or in other underserved areas in Texas.

## <u>Procedure</u>

No resident/fellow entering on in a COM sponsored ACGME-accredited training program shall be asked to sign an appointment or reappointment contract or other document for the purposes of non-competition. Restrictive covenants of any kind are not allowed. Such acts are in direct opposition to the COM Mission and violate ACGME policies.

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