


<b>Name of Policy:</b> <u>Continuation of Resident Training in the Event of Disaster or Interruption in Patient Care</u>	  Effective Date: 5/22/2022  Initial Effective Date: 8/2016
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<b>Department:</b> Pharmacy	
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<b>Scope:</b> UT Department of Pharmacy, UT College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences	
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**(A) Policy Statement**

Administrative support will be provided for pharmacy residency programs and residents in the event of a catastrophic event, natural disaster or interruption in patient care.

**(B) Purpose of Policy**

To define the process and procedure for pharmacy residency programs in the event of disruption by emergencies, catastrophic events, or natural disasters.

**(C) Procedure**

In the event of a disaster or interruption of patient care, the following protocol will be utilized:

- the Program Director, or his/her designee, will be the primary contact person with the ACGME
- the Program Director, in consultation with the Director of Pharmacy or Dean of the College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, will be the agent responsible for making the determination that a disaster exists.
- the Program Director and the Director of Pharmacy or Dean of the College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, with direction from the Chief Executive Officer of The University of Toledo Medical Center and the Dean of the College of Medicine, will coordinate responses with entities involved, including affected programs, hospitals and other care sites.

Immediately following a disaster and up to within 24 hours, the Program Director will:

1. Transmit initial communications plan to all affected parties and/or their representatives.
2. The Program Director will work with the Director of Pharmacy, Hospital Administration representatives, and the Medical Staff Office of UTMC to coordinate immediate activities, including patient care issues.
3. Initially residents are expected to report to their originally assigned hospital/clinic location. In the event the hospital/clinic is affected by the disaster and unable to operate in the usual fashion or if the patient load is skewed by the disaster, some or all of the trainees may need to be reassigned by the Program Director after discussion with the Director of Pharmacy. Residents should seek the guidance of their Program Directors to determine immediate resident response to affected clinical sites.
4. Patient care is the top priority in a disaster situation, and residents may be pulled from educational activities to assist in direct patient care activities (including, but not limited to, staffing).

Within 72 hours, the Program Director will:

1. Attend the emergency meeting of the Graduate Medical Education Committee (GMEC) to assess the effect of the situation on residency/fellowship education, including the probable duration of the interruption. If safety concerns prohibit a meeting in a physical location, the GMEC will convene on an emergency basis via phone or internet teleconference.

<p><b>Approved by:</b></p> <p><u>/s/</u> <u>05/26/2022</u>  Lindsey Eitniece, Pharm D, BCPS, AAHIVP  Date  Director of Pharmacy, Acute Care Services</p> <p><u>/s/</u> <u>05/26/2022</u>  Russell Smith, PharmD, MBA, BCPS  Date  Senior Hospital Administrator</p> <p><i>Review/Revision Completed By:</i>  <i>Pharmacy</i></p>	<p><b>Review/Revision Date:</b>  8/2016  5/2022</p>
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