

<b>TCOM Accreditation Operating Procedures</b>	<b>Approved: July 2017</b>
<b>COCA Element 1.1 Program Mission*</b>	<b>Effective: July 2017</b> <b>Revised: October 2019, February 2024</b>

**Element 1.1:**

A COM must have a mission statement that: 1) explains the overall purpose of the COM’s program; and 2) serves as a guide for program planning and assessment. A COM must include a commitment to advancing diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) in its mission, values, vision, goals, or objectives.

Where the COM is part of a larger educational institution or parent institution, the COM’s mission must be consistent with the institution’s mission. The COM must review its program mission at least once every five years and upon review, if the COM deems it to be appropriate to do so, the COM should revise its mission to meet the COM’s growth and continued development. The COM must consider the input of its students, faculty, and staff, with representation from all additional locations and branch campuses (unless the branch has a separate mission) when reviewing and revising its mission and any value, vision, goal, or objective statements.

**Procedure Statement:** TCOM shall adopt a clearly defined mission statement that is in alignment with the vision and values of The University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth “HSC”. The college shall further identify goals and objectives appropriate to osteopathic medical education. The mission statement shall be subject to periodic review by faculty, staff, and students.

<b>Procedure</b>		<b>Responsible Party</b>
1.	TCOM shall conduct periodic strategic planning to identify tactical initiatives for its mission-centric areas. This process shall assure alignment of the college’s mission with that of HSC thereby creating complementary philosophies and practices.	TCOM Dean TCOM Associate and Assistant Deans TCOM Department Chairs
2.	TCOM shall review and update/reaffirm its mission as part of its annual strategic planning. TCOM faculty, staff, and students shall be included in this process.	TCOM Executive Committee TCOM Faculty Representatives TCOM Student Representatives
3.	TCOM’s mission shall be incorporated into the TCOM bylaws.	TCOM Office of the Dean
4.	TCOM shall assure campus-wide distribution of the mission statement, the vision and values of HSC and the college’s tactical initiatives.	TCOM Leadership HSC Provost HSC President
5.	TCOM shall report its progress in meeting its tactical initiatives at least semi-annually.	TCOM Dean TCOM Associate and Assistant Deans TCOM Department Chairs

### **TCOM Mission Statement**

Create solutions for a healthier community by preparing tomorrow's patient-centered physicians and scientists and advancing the continuum of medical knowledge, discovery, and osteopathic health care.

In fulfillment of its mission, the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine shall:

- Recruit and support a diverse student body with the academic and humanistic qualifications to become accomplished osteopathic physicians dedicated to patient care and service to their communities;
- Provide a curriculum that is evidence-based and grounded in the learning sciences;
- Offer clinical experiences that prepare its graduates for diverse careers in medical practice;
- Promote scientific discovery through mentored research;
- Create opportunities for postdoctoral education in support of the health care workforce in the State of Texas.

### **TCOM Program Objectives**

The Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine shall offer the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree program with the objectives of:

- Providing learners with a firm foundation in the medical sciences and Osteopathic philosophy necessary for the acquisition of clinical competence;
- Providing learners with a broad exposure to and engagement in clinical practice that will prepare them for postdoctoral training and independent practice in osteopathic medicine;
- Fostering habits of lifelong learning and investigation;
- Promoting professionalism and humanism in health care delivery and community service.

### **TCOM Vision**

Changing the way health care is delivered.

Webpage links:

- [HSC Mission & Vision](#)
- [TCOM Mission & Vision](#)
- [TCOM Goals/Objectives](#)
- [TCOM Bylaws](#)