

**OLIVE VIEW-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER
MEDICAL ADMINISTRATION
POLICY & PROCEDURE**

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SUBJECT/TITLE: CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION MISSION

POLICY:

PURPOSE:

DEPARTMENTS: MEDICAL ADMINISTRATION

DEFINITIONS:

PROCEDURE: The mission of the Los Angeles County Olive View-UCLA Medical Center is to improve the health of our patients and communities. Integral to this Mission is continuing medical education to our staff and community clinicians in the best current medical practice related to the care of the patients served in our medical settings.

The bylaws of the Professional Staff Association of the Los Angeles County Olive View-UCLA Medical Center assigns the Continuing Medical Education Committee the responsibility of planning, monitoring and evaluating continuing medical education activities that would meet the needs of the community within and outside the institution. Continuing medical education programs are implemented through the various medical departments with the support of both the Continuing Medical Education Committee and the office of the Medical Director.

The goal of the continuing medical education program of the Los Angeles County Olive View-UCLA Medical Center is to provide activities which serve to maintain, develop and increase competency and performance of the Olive View-UCLA medical staff, community physicians and allied health professionals.

The CME activity conforms to the scope of care provided in the institution. The content of such educational activities may include, but is not limited to topics that:

- 1.) have a scientific or clinical content with a direct bearing on the quality or cost effectiveness on the care of our patients, community or public health, or preventive medicine;
- 2.) concern performance improvement, risk management, health facility standards, or the legal aspects of clinical medicine;
- 3.) concern bioethics or professional ethics;
- 4.) designed to improve the physician-patient relationship and patient satisfaction;
- 5.) improve patient care/safety by measurement of the outcome; and
- 6.) Include Cultural and Linguistic Competency

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The educational methods of such activities shall include, but are not limited to, live presentations and Regularly Scheduled Series (RSS). The format of these activities will include lectures, case presentations, hands-on workshops, and interactive teaching sessions.

The participants of such educational activities will include physicians. In addition, allied health professionals, educators, administrators, consumers (patients and families), and the community at large may attend as appropriate to the topics presented.

The characteristics of successful implementation of such educational activities include, but are not limited to, full institutional support (adequate facilities, budget and clerical staff), active cooperation of all clinical services, and compliance with the accreditation standards, including periodic review of the Mission Statement itself to determine if it is current and fully relevant.

EXPECTED RESULTS:

Improve physician competence in order to maximize the quality of care given to patients that may lead to improved patient outcomes. This will be accomplished by providing comprehensive educational activities that are current, largely based on evidence-based practice guidelines and expert opinion and by offering a variety of learning formats to meet the diverse needs of our participants. Results will be evidenced by reviewing responses from activity evaluations that ask if participants plan to make any changes in their practice and or pre/post-test.

References:	
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