

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND MEDICAL CENTER:

Institutional Committees and Councils

ACGME and the UMMC want to assure that residents and fellows have the opportunity to participate on committees and councils whose actions affect their education and/or patient care. Our goal is to match the interests of the residents/fellows with that of the activities of the committees and councils. We solicit nominations from program directors, or from the residents/fellows (either self or peer nominations), for participation in one or more of these committees/councils. The participants will be required to attend 75% of the meetings that occur (most are monthly). Currently, there are residents/fellows on the following committees and councils:

Airway Safety Council

Meeting Day: Quarterly on a Wednesday

Meeting Time: 4 pm via Teleconference

Overview: Involves taking a high-level look at safety issues around airway including difficult airway response and complications related to tracheostomies such as pressure injuries.

Employee Advisory Council

Meeting Day: Generally meets once a month

Meeting Time: 2 hours via Teleconference

Overview: Created to allow greater employee participation; to foster better communication between staff employees and senior leadership; to make recommendations for improvement and to act as a sounding board for topics of interest. The council will exist as a forum to promote these goals as another methodology to move UMMC forward on its path to being a great organization. The council is not intended to act in any advocacy role or negotiate issues on behalf of staff employees.

Ethical Advisory Committee

Meeting Day: Generally meets the second Tuesday of the month

Meeting Time: 11:30 am-1 pm via Teleconference

Overview: Discusses ethical topics, policy development, and ethics consults and reports into the Performance Improvement Steering Committee.

Executive Infection Control Committee (EICC)

Meeting Day: 2nd Wednesday of the month

Meeting Time: 2pm - 3pm

Overview: This executive committee oversees the policy approval process related to infection control.

Graduate Medical Education Committee

Meeting Day: Generally meets the 4th Thursday of the month (does not meet in August or December)

Meeting Time: 4:30pm -5:30pm

Overview: The GMEC has the authority and responsibility for the oversight and administration of all aspects of graduate medical residency and fellowship education at UMMC, including oversight of the compliance of the Sponsoring Institution and all sponsored Programs with the requirements for accreditation. The GMEC meets monthly, with the exception of August and December. The committee is comprised of the DIO, the Associate DIO, the GME Director, Program Directors, Administrative Staff, peer-selected Residents/Fellows and Faculty. We look forward to your contributions to this group.

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High Reliability Organization (HRO) Steering Committee

Meeting Day: Bi-weekly

Meeting Time: varies via Teleconference

Overview: The mission of this committee is to urgently change the culture to prioritize the journey to zero preventable harm for team members, patients, and their families.

Lab Stewardship Steering Committee

Meeting Day: Monthly with advance notice

Meeting Time: varies via Teleconference

Overview: Created to develop and implement interventions to decrease utilization related to laboratory tests to target quality improvement and cost saving opportunities for both patients and the medical center.

MEADE Committee (Medication Errors, Adverse Drug Events)

Meeting Day: 2nd Wednesday of every month

Meeting Time: 12pm - 1pm

Overview: This is a multidisciplinary committee involving physicians, pharmacists, nurses, IT, and risk/quality evaluating institutional medication errors and looking into solutions to improve processes/create policies, etc.

Patient Engagement Committee

Meeting Day: monthly

Meeting Time: varies

Overview: The Patient Engagement Committee is an interdisciplinary group comprised of administration and peer leaders dedicated to improving care through bedside partnership with patients and families. The group develops implements and nurtures strategies designed to engage patients and families at the bedside. The committee meets monthly.

Performance Improvement Steering Committee

Meeting Day: Generally meets the second Monday of the month

Meeting Time: 12:30pm - 2pm

Overview: Develops and oversees implementation for the plan for improving performance; assesses and monitors organizations' performance; responds to external reviews of the organization's performance, receives reports and monitors outcomes from the medical staff subcommittees and clinical departments, develops a quality training strategy. Reports to the Medical Executive Committee on some matters.

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Resident/Fellow and Advanced Practice Provider Wellness Committee

Meeting Day: varies- will be notified in advance

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Overview: The subcommittee is focused on developing activities related to resident/fellow/faculty/employee wellness and is sponsored by the Chief Medical officer, with participants from GME leadership, residents/fellows, faculty, Advanced Practice Providers leadership, EHS leadership, Psychiatry, and School of Medicine representatives.

Transfusion Practices Subcommittee

Meeting Day: Generally meets the last Tuesday in January, March, July, September, and November

Meeting Time: 12pm - 1pm

Overview: Review, discuss and advise on policies and processes related to blood and blood products. Reports to the Performance Improvement Steering committee.

UMMC Diversity & Inclusion Council

Meeting Day: 4th Thursday

Meeting Time: 9:30-11 am via Teleconference

Overview: As a premier healthcare provider, UMMS embraces diversity in the composition of our workforce and in the delivery of culturally sensitive, compassionate, quality care to promote healthy and empowered communities. The Council focuses on initiatives for improving diversity and inclusion within the medical center and system.

*A minimum 2-year commitment is required.

House Staff Officer for Patient Safety and Quality

The UMMC House Staff Officer for Patient Safety and Quality works with the Chief Quality Officer and other members of the Patient Safety and Clinical Effectiveness Team to advance quality and safety initiatives for the medical center and to engage trainee involvement in those processes.

(1 Resident/Fellow Member)

Workplace Violence Committee

Meeting Day: 3rd Thursday

Meeting Time: 10:00 AM via Webex

Overview: This is a committee focused on reducing workplace violence (verbal, physical, patient to staff, staff to staff) The group meets monthly with a number of subgroups.