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Office of Admissions Mission Statement

JCESOM is a community-based, Veterans Affairs affiliated medical school dedicated to providing high quality medical education and postgraduate training programs to foster a skilled physician workforce to meet the unique healthcare needs of West Virginia and Central Appalachia. The School of Medicine will admit capable, qualified, and properly motivated applicants who upon graduation possess a high probability of meeting the health care needs of our state and region. Equally important and to add value to our learning environment is the infusion of students from a variety of cultural and ethnic backgrounds to insure that our students are prepared for life and practice in an expanded environment. Therefore, qualified students from groups currently underrepresented in medicine, students from rural areas, and women are especially encouraged to apply.

Office of Student Affairs Mission Statement:

The Office of Student Affairs is committed to meeting the personal, academic and professional needs of students throughout all four years of medical education. We support students by being accessible, responsive, and advocating on their behalf and we work with faculty and administration to facilitate a positive learning environment based upon mutual respect between teacher and learner. We strive to foster an atmosphere in which differences are respected and valued so that students become accomplished team players and compassionate practitioners of medicine.

Office of Faculty Affairs and Professional Development Mission Statement:

The Office of Faculty Affairs and Professional Development is committed to creating an environment of inclusive excellence in which faculty members from diverse backgrounds can reach their fullest potential while providing multicultural "IMPACT" in the training of future physicians. Through ongoing educational programs, workshops and the Academy of Medical Educators, we offer learning opportunities designed to support and challenge junior and senior faculty alike. With services ranging from new faculty orientation to guidance related to the promotion and tenure process, we help faculty navigate the ever-changing world of higher education. We invite you to browse our website to look for educational opportunities that may suit your particular needs or interests.

Office of Medical Education Mission Statement:

The Office of Medical Education is committed to providing quality patient care to the people of West Virginia and our surrounding communities by educating and training exemplary medical students. Our goal is to produce compassionate physicians who integrate the skills of lifelong learning and evidence based medicine into clinical practice. We are committed to providing

programs and curricula that emphasize communication, professionalism, cultural differences, medical ethics, and humanistic aspects of medicine.

Office of Rural Programs Mission Statement:

Consistent with a mission to provide the State of West Virginia with primary care physicians, the JCESOM continues to emphasize primary care. The School's specialization in rural health issues are shown by its effective, strikingly innovative rural medical education programs that prepare students toward the challenges of rural primary care. To accomplish this, the School of Medicine has established a network of rural clinical sites to permit third and fourth year students to gain first-hand knowledge of rural health issues.

Office of Academic Affairs Mission Statement:

The Office of Academic Affairs is committed to providing excellence in medical education to ensure that our graduates possess the knowledge, skills and professional attributes necessary to meet society's health care needs. It is our responsibility to develop, implement and oversee academic and professional policy and standards to recognize academic excellence.

The Office of Graduate Medical Education Mission Statement:

The Office of Graduate Medical Education is committed to providing state-of-the-art training for resident physicians. Our dedication in the training of graduate medical residents will ensure they receive the necessary skills and professionalism to meet the health care needs of today's society.