

III. ADMINISTRATION

Proposed changes:

The Dean is the Chief ~~Academic and Administrative~~ Administrator and Academic Officer of ~~the College COM-Tucson. As such, the Dean and~~ is responsible for the ~~implementation of its policies, and compliance with accreditation requirements, along with the Vice Deans.~~ administration, planning, and operation of COM-Tucson within the objectives, policies, programs, services, directives, and authorities established by the University President, the Senior Vice President of Health Sciences, the University Provost, and the Arizona Board of Regents. The Dean also holds primary responsibility for (i) leading, coordinating, and implementing the COM-Tucson strategic plan; and (ii) conducting and ensuring the quality of the medical education program, including maintaining accreditation by the appropriate regulatory and accrediting bodies. The Dean may delegate responsibilities to the Vice Deans, who may appoint Associate and Assistant Deans to assist in discharging these duties within the College.

~~Administrators shall conduct their duties and responsibilities in accordance with Arizona Board of Regents (ABOR) and University of Arizona policies.~~

**Additions in blue, removed text in red.*

Final proposed version:

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Reason for change:

The proposed amendment to the College of Medicine - Tucson (COM-T) bylaws is designed to incorporate the key elements of the Arizona Board of Regents (ABOR) policies into our governance framework. In response to the 2022 LCME Survey Visit findings and in alignment with LCME Element 1.5 regarding faculty bylaws, the COM-T identified a need for greater specificity in defining the dean's responsibilities within the bylaws. This update is an essential part of our preparations for the upcoming LCME accreditation survey visit in January 2024. The proposed changes provide clear, direct guidance aligned with LCME standards, enhancing the transparency, accessibility, and effectiveness of our governance structure and eliminating the need for faculty to refer to external documents.