Northeast Ohio
MEDICAL UNIVERSITY

Board of Trustees

June 9, 2016

Resolution 2016-24

Course Completion Agenda

WHEREAS, the Northeast Ohio Medical University is a state-funded university within the state of Ohio that partners with six state universities and one private college to offer a combined Baccalaureate/M.D. degree and a Pharm.D. degree; and

WHEREAS, the Northeast Ohio Medical University offers professional degree programs in medicine and pharmacy and graduate programs in integrated pharmaceutical medicine, public health and health-system pharmacy administration; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio's biennial appropriations legislation requires state universities and community colleges to prepare strategic course completion agendas designed to increase the number of degrees and certificates awarded to students; and

WHEREAS, the course completion agenda must be consistent with the mission and priorities of the institution including measurable student completion goals, and align with the state's workforce development priorities; and

WHEREAS, the administration of the Northeast Ohio Medical University identified three goals that include increasing program affordability, increasing program accessibility, and increasing retention and progression; and

WHEREAS, the Northeast Ohio Medical University has completed the Course Completion Agenda Review; **NOW THEREFORE**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Northeast Ohio Medical University Board of Trustees hereby approved the Course Completion Agenda as presented.

Action Approved

Date of Action June 9, 2016

For the Board of Trustees

Richard W. Lewis, Secretary

NORTHEAST OHIO MEDICAL UNIVERSITY (NEOMED) COMPLETION AGENDA

Community-based health sciences university offering professional degree programs in medicine and pharmacy and graduate programs in integrated pharmaceutical medicine, public health and health-system pharmacy administration.
Only medical university in the country that partners with six state universities and one private college to offer a combined Baccalaureate/M.D. degree and a Pharm.D. degree.
Partnerships with some of the most prestigious medical campuses in Northeast Ohio, providing teaching resources of about 7,000 beds and more than 2,500 voluntary clinical faculty members.
Clinical partners include 27 major and affiliated teaching hospitals, 6 public health departments, and more than 200 pharmaceutical locations.
In academic year 2014-2015, NEOMED served 897 students: 96% of them are Ohioans.

- Graduation rates continue to be high: 90-95% within the last five years.
- 2015 passing rate on the North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination and the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination at first attempt: four percent above the national passing rate.
- 2015 passing rate on the U.S. Medical Licensing Examination Step 1 and Step 2 at first attempt: one percent above the national passing rate.
- 100% residency match of College of Medicine Class of 2015 graduates
- 100% job placement of College of Pharmacy Class of 2015 graduates one month after graduation

Completion Goals / ACTIONS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS TO REACH COMPLETION AGENDA

Program abbreviations: College of Medicine (COM); College of Pharmacy (COP

Increase Program Affordability

Implemented Education for Service (EfS) Initiative to:

- Support academically talented students from economically and educationally disadvantaged backgrounds who will return to provide primary care services to medically underserved communities throughout Northeast Ohio and reduce financial barriers by awarding EfS scholarships
- Engage our communities to build the social support and mentorship essential for the success of educationally disadvantaged students

Expanded Scholarship for Need and Merit resulted in:

- Average education debt of 2015 COM graduates: 13% lower that all US medical schools
- Average education debt of 2015 COP graduates: 7% lower than all US pharmacy schools
- Partnership for Urban Health EfS scholarships of $750,000 in total awarded to 5 medicine students
- Medical Mutual EfS scholarships of $1 million awarded to 14 pharmacy students
- Mercy Health EfS scholarships in the total amount of $276,632 awarded to 5 medicine students
- Choose Ohio First Scholarships for 13 students covering 50% of the student's tuition and fees

Increase Program Accessibility

Expanded Pipeline Programs

- Partnered with more than 100 community groups, several universities and health care systems to deliver Health Professions Affinity Community program to more than 1,500 K-12 and college students across Ohio in 2014-2015
- Increased total portfolio of extramural funding for NEOMED pipeline programs from $1.4 million in 2014-2015 to $2.2 million in 2015-2016.

Increase Retention and Progression

Incorporated Data Gathering and Analysis into Standard Processes

- Learning analytics for academic intervention and advising to ensure student success
- Academic dashboard to monitor and track key performance indicators for continuous quality improvement
- Curricular mapping for systematic academic benchmarking and improvement
- Faculty development for improved teaching effectiveness and assessment of student learning

Continued Comprehensive College of Pharmacy Curricular Review:

- Addressing identified variables affecting student performance through curricular revision
- Monitoring and tracking trends in student progression, retention and improvements in academic success
- Considering recommendations for the long-term view of a revised curriculum in alignment with accreditation standards and national practice changes

Expanded Academic Support for Students to Help Prevent Failure and Improve Academic Success:

- Online pre-matriculation program serves as a foundation for first year science courses.
- Summer workshops for all incoming students builds academic efficacy and preparation.
- Mandatory completion of the Learning and Study Strategies Inventory (LASSI) for all incoming students serves as a basis for customized learning intervention, academic advising and skill development
- Learning skills instruction included in the curriculum and through co-curricular opportunities
- Rigorous peer tutoring program, licensure exam preparation, and individual academic advising services.

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