



OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Dear Colleagues,

We hope you've been enjoying the summer, and have had a chance to spend quality time with family and friends. It's hard to believe our Fall semester will begin next week, but we are ready and already have been welcoming students back to campus.

We want to provide another update about our progress regarding plans for UTMC. As you know, we have been thoughtfully reviewing the services UTMC and its clinics offer our community, including South Toledo. The purpose of this process has been to help us set a direction for UTMC's future.

As we explore all options for UTMC, we are faced with the same challenges that healthcare systems and hospitals in Ohio and across the country need to address, such as reimbursement changes, capital needs and maintaining financial viability.

We recognize the complexity of this matter and we take our responsibility seriously. Ultimately, we'd like to identify a direction that helps meet the clinical training needs of the UT community and continues to provide South Toledo with access to healthcare services. As we move forward, please know that we want UTMC's healthcare workers and the hospital to continue meeting the community's needs for patient care services.

Thank you for your continued commitment to our patients and families who count on you for their health care and to our learners who are the future of healthcare in our community.

Sincerely,

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