

## CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK

### NOTICE TO STUDENTS, RESIDENTS, AND TRAINEES

As of August 12, 2005, the Texas Tech University System Board of Regents approved a policy requiring that Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC) obtain criminal background checks for students, residents, and trainees in the various clinical training programs in order to protect healthcare patients. Affiliating institutions which provide training to TTUHSC students, residents, and trainees routinely require that affiliated healthcare training programs such as TTUHSC comply with requirements imposed on the employees by The Joint Commission. Thus, TTUHSC is not able to place trainees at these institutions unless the students, residents, and trainees have undergone a criminal background check (CBC). The CBC will be used to determine eligibility, character, and fitness for meeting the educational training and licensure requirements, where applicable, of the respective institutions.

Information regarding criminal history record information will be obtained via the student's or trainee's self-disclosure and a background check conducted by an outside provider. Confidential information will be provided to TTUHSC and submitted only to those persons with a legitimate need-to-know. Refusal to consent to a criminal background check as and when necessary by the respective TTUHSC School of Graduate Medical Education or Graduate Physician Education program will preclude students, residents, or trainees from beginning or continuing their education or training at TTUHSC. Refusal to consent to a criminal background check by persons already matriculated/enrolled, and will cause TTUHSC to withdraw its offer of admission to applicants who have not yet matriculated/enrolled.

I have read this document and understand its implications, and I agree that I will be required to undergo a mandatory criminal background check.