

AN ACT

relating to the inclusion in the definition of a medical and dental unit of the Dell Medical School at The University of Texas at Austin and the School of Medicine at The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley and the participation of those schools in certain programs and funding.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 51.821(4), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(4) "Participating medical school" means each of the following entities:

(A) the medical school at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston;

(B) the medical school at The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center;

(C) the medical school at The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio;

(D) the medical school at The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston;

(E) the medical school at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at Lubbock;

(F) the medical school at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso;

(G) the Baylor College of Medicine;

1 (H) the college of osteopathic medicine at the  
2 University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth;  
3 ~~[and]~~

4 (I) the medical school at The Texas A&M  
5 University System Health Science Center;

6 (J) the medical school at The University of Texas  
7 at Austin; and

8 (K) the medical school at The University of Texas  
9 Rio Grande Valley.

10 SECTION 2. Section 61.003(5), Education Code, is amended to  
11 read as follows:

12 (5) "Medical and dental unit" means The Texas A&M  
13 University System Health Science Center and its component  
14 institutions, agencies, and programs; the Texas Tech University  
15 Health Sciences Center; the Texas Tech University Health Sciences  
16 Center at El Paso; The University of Texas Medical Branch at  
17 Galveston; The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center; The  
18 University of Texas Medical School at San Antonio; The University  
19 of Texas Dental Branch at Houston; The University of Texas M. D.  
20 Anderson Cancer Center; The University of Texas Graduate School of  
21 Biomedical Sciences at Houston; The University of Texas Dental  
22 School at San Antonio; The University of Texas Medical School at  
23 Houston; the Dell Medical School at The University of Texas at  
24 Austin; the School of Medicine at The University of Texas Rio Grande  
25 Valley [~~The University of Texas Health Science Center -- South Texas~~  
26 ~~and its component institutions, if established under Subchapter N,~~  
27 ~~Chapter 74~~]; the nursing institutions of The Texas A&M University

1 System and The University of Texas System; and The University of  
2 Texas School of Public Health at Houston; and such other medical or  
3 dental schools as may be established by statute or as provided in  
4 this chapter.

5 SECTION 3. Section 63.002(c), Education Code, is amended to  
6 read as follows:

7 (c) The amount available for distribution from the fund may  
8 be appropriated only for programs that benefit medical research,  
9 health education, or treatment programs at the following  
10 health-related institutions of higher education:

11 (1) The University of Texas Health Science Center at  
12 San Antonio;

13 (2) The University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer  
14 Center;

15 (3) The University of Texas Southwestern Medical  
16 Center;

17 (4) The University of Texas Medical Branch at  
18 Galveston;

19 (5) The University of Texas Health Science Center at  
20 Houston;

21 (6) The University of Texas Health Science Center at  
22 Tyler;

23 (7) The University of Texas Health Science  
24 Center--South Texas and its component institutions, if established  
25 under Subchapter N, Chapter 74;

26 (8) The Texas A&M University Health Science Center;

27 (9) the University of North Texas Health Science

1 Center at Fort Worth;

2 (10) the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center;

3 (11) the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center  
4 at El Paso; ~~and~~

5 (12) the Dell Medical School at The University of  
6 Texas at Austin; and

7 (13) Baylor College of Medicine, if a contract between  
8 Baylor College of Medicine and the Texas Higher Education  
9 Coordinating Board is in effect under Section 61.092.

10 SECTION 4. (a) As soon as practicable after the effective  
11 date of this Act, the medical schools at The University of Texas at  
12 Austin and The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley each shall:

13 (1) enter into the agreement with the Joint Admission  
14 Medical Program Council required by Section 51.829, Education Code;  
15 and

16 (2) select an appropriate faculty member to represent  
17 the respective medical school on the council.

18 (b) The medical schools at The University of Texas at Austin  
19 and The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley each shall provide  
20 internships and mentoring under the Joint Admission Medical Program  
21 as appropriate beginning not later than the 2020-2021 academic  
22 year, but are not required before the 2022-2023 academic year to  
23 admit participating students to the medical schools under the  
24 program.

25 SECTION 5. The Dell Medical School at The University of  
26 Texas at Austin is eligible to receive funding under Subchapter A,  
27 Chapter 63, Education Code, beginning with allocations for the

1 state fiscal year that begins September 1, 2019.

2 SECTION 6. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
3 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
4 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
5 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
6 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 479 passed the Senate on April 11, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 23, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 479 passed the House, with amendment, on May 14, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 135, Nays 3, two present not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

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Date

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Governor