

MEMORANDUM

To: Internal Medicine Interns, Fellows, and Faculty

From: Department of Internal Medicine

RE: Risk Management Education Requirements

University of Texas System Professional Medical Liability Benefit Plan
Risk Management Education Requirements for Faculty and Residents

Clinicolegal Correlations Course

All faculty, fellows, and residents covered by the UT System Professional Medical Liability Benefit Plan **are required to take a core course in medical-legal risk management called the Clinicolegal Correlations Course (CCC)**, written primarily by physicians who are also attorneys. Course modules use actual cases to teach physicians to identify and manage medical-legal risk.

Internal Medicine interns must complete four units of the CCC, plus the specialty-specific Standards of Care unit, within 8 months of the start of the training program. The total number of hours required is 15, and completing the four units of the CCC and the Standards of Care unit will fulfill the 15 hour requirement.

You will receive 3.5 risk management education credits for each CCC module that you complete. These modules are accredited for an equivalent number of Category 1 CME's. Your 3.5 risk management credits will also count as 3.5 Category I CME credits. **CCC courses fulfill the Texas Medical Board's education in ethics requirement.**

The Specialty-Specific Standards of Care unit will provide you with one hour of risk management education. It is shorter than the others and specific to your department. It is not approved for formal continuing medical education credits.

You will find the course at <http://ut.elmexchange.com/ccc>. Under "New Users," use the drop-down box to select your institution and status. Click "submit" to go to instructions for log-on. You will be asked to use your e-mail address as your username. Returning users will go to the same URL and log-on directly under "Returning Users."

When you have completed the course, please give Helen Bucklew the "Course Unit Report" for your departmental compliance file.

If you encounter any technical difficulties, follow the prompts to send an e-mail to Education in Legal Medicine. The support staff there can communicate with you directly as long as you have entered your e-mail address as your username.

Please contact Michelle Rhodes at 214-648-6906, or your administrative coordinator, if you need further assistance with the course.

Call Elizabeth Shattuck, University of Texas Healthcare Risk Manager, at 512-499-4511 or e-mail at eshattuck@utsystem.edu if you have any questions or comments specifically for the UT System.

We hope you will enjoy the CCC. This course does not contain legal advice. If you require advice regarding risk management or a legal matter, please contact Legal Affairs--Joan Porter or Cecilia Montoya--at 214-648-6905.

If there are questions or concerns please direct them to Kevin J. Miller by email at Kevin.Miller@utsouthwestern.edu **or ext. 85076.**