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**Pending approval by Board*

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RECOMMENDATION

The Chancellor concurs in the recommendation of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs, the Executive Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs, and President Mendelsohn that authorization be granted by the U. T. System Board of Regents, on behalf of U. T. M. D. Anderson Cancer Center, to

- a. purchase Lot 2, Block 23, Institute Place Subdivision, Houston, Harris County, Texas, from Ms. Rosalyn Sadberry and any successors and assigns or other persons who may be determined to hold all or part of an interest in such land, for a purchase price not to exceed fair market value as established by an independent appraisal, plus all due diligence expenses, closing costs, and other costs and expenses to complete the acquisition of the property as deemed necessary or advisable by the Executive Director of Real Estate, for future use for campus administrative and support functions; and
- b. authorize the Executive Director of Real Estate to execute all documents, instruments, and other agreements, subject to approval of all such documents as to legal form by the Office of General Counsel, and to take all further actions deemed necessary or advisable to carry out the purpose and intent of the foregoing recommendation.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Acquisition of the subject property is part of the land assemblage in the east campus area being undertaken by U. T. M. D. Anderson Cancer Center to accommodate the relocation of important, but noncritical, functions that will allow greater use of core facilities in the Texas Medical Center for patient treatment and research.

U. T. M. D. Anderson Cancer Center has concluded that the main campus in the Texas Medical Center and south campus should be reserved for use for research and critical patient care functions. Accordingly, many administrative and support activities currently in the main and south campuses will be relocated to the area in which the subject property and adjacent tracts are located to allow expansion of the research and patient care functions on the main and south campuses.

Details of this acquisition, which will be funded with Local Hospital Revenues, are summarized in the transaction summary below.

Transaction Summary

Institution:	U. T. M. D. Anderson Cancer Center
Type of Transaction:	Purchase
Total Area:	Approximately 5,000 square feet, plus adjoining streets and alley
Improvements:	None
Location:	Lot 2, Block 23, Institute Place Subdivision, Houston, Harris County, Texas (see map on following page)
Seller:	Ms. Rosalyn Sadberry and any successors and assigns or other persons who may be determined to hold all or part of an interest in such land
Purchase Price:	Not to exceed fair market value as established by an independent appraisal
Appraised Value:	\$140,000 (Edward B. Schulz & Co., April 6, 2009)
Source of Funds:	Local Hospital Revenues
Intended Use:	Campus administrative and support functions

UTMDACC EAST CAMPUS



2. **U. T. Medical Branch – Galveston: Approval of a Ph.D. degree program in Rehabilitation Sciences**

RECOMMENDATION

The Chancellor concurs in the recommendation of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs and President Callender that authorization, pursuant to the Regents' *Rules and Regulations*, Rule 40307, related to academic program approval standards, be granted to

- a. establish a Ph.D. degree program in Rehabilitation Sciences in the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences at U. T. Medical Branch – Galveston; and
- b. submit the proposal to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for review and appropriate action.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Program Description

The Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences (GSBS) at U. T. Medical Branch – Galveston wishes to implement a Ph.D. degree program in Rehabilitation Sciences. The proposed doctoral program evolved from a curriculum in rehabilitation sciences that is currently part of the Graduate School's Program in Preventive Medicine and Community Health (PMCH). The PMCH program has been offered since 2001 to provide students with foundation knowledge and skills to advance rehabilitation science and foster research experiences, and training to improve the functional performance and quality of life for persons with disabilities and chronic disease. The new Ph.D. program would continue to be administered through PMCH as an interdisciplinary research degree rather than as a clinical or practice doctoral degree.

Need and Student Demand

The development of advanced graduate programs in rehabilitation science in the United States has expanded substantially in recent years, with approximately 16 doctoral programs nationwide. However, there is no Rehabilitation Sciences Ph.D. degree program currently offered in Texas, and U. T. Medical Branch – Galveston's PMCH program is the only program offering research training in rehabilitation science. Programs granting M.S. and B.S. degrees in rehabilitation-related fields offer clinical practice degrees and are not designed to train investigators to conduct independent research.

The new Ph.D. degree is planned to increase the number of researchers and physicians in Texas who are formally trained in rehabilitation and disability, and to improve strategies for prevention and treatment of disabilities. The 2007 report of the Institute of Medicine titled *The Future of Disability in America* identified the continuing need to strengthen research capacity and expand scientific knowledge in rehabilitation and disability, and reinforces the necessity for rehabilitation scientists trained in interdisciplinary programs to generate research and contribute to the education of future generations of rehabilitation practitioners and investigators. The need to increase the number of researchers in Texas who are formally trained in rehabilitation sciences is further bolstered by national demographics that suggest an increased population of persons 65 years and older who are more likely to have chronic disease and disabilities limiting their daily activities.

Program Quality

For the past 10 years, U. T. Medical Branch – Galveston has been developing the infrastructure, funding, and research teams necessary to implement a curriculum of independent graduate studies planned to provide the resources and research environment necessary to train the rehabilitation scientists of the future. The success of the institution's efforts recently received national recognition in the *Chronicle of Higher Education* (June 2007), which ranked U. T. Medical Branch – Galveston's rehabilitation sciences curriculum eighth in the United States in faculty productivity and research related to rehabilitation science based on an analysis of 375 graduate programs in kinesiology, exercise science, and rehabilitation science.

The core faculty currently includes 32 members from various academic departments including occupational therapy, physical therapy, internal medicine, geriatrics, surgery, endocrinology, orthopedic surgery and rehabilitation, and preventive medicine and community health. Interest in enrollment has been steady. Since its inception in 2001, 39 students have applied, 25 students have been accepted, and 10 Ph.D. degrees have been conferred to students completing the PMCH rehabilitation sciences curriculum. Funded rehabilitation research activity has expanded substantially over the past eight years, with significant increases in the number of externally funded awards received by core rehabilitation sciences faculty members.

The proposed Ph.D. degree in Rehabilitation Sciences has been endorsed by the appropriate institutional committees, including U. T. Medical Branch – Galveston's GSBS Executive Committee, Council of Academic Deans, and Council of Deans.

Program Cost

For the past eight years, faculty and staff salaries, benefits, and general operating costs have been integrated into existing budgets for the Department of Preventive Medicine and Community Health, the Division of Rehabilitation Sciences, and the Center for Rehabilitation Sciences. Graduate student stipends, tuition and fees, travel, and

research-related expenses have been budgeted within National Institutes of Health (NIH) training and research grants, the Center for Rehabilitation Sciences, endowment accounts, and other faculty-generated sources.

U. T. Medical Branch – Galveston will continue to support the majority of costs through reallocation, and will fund the new costs estimated at \$136,562 for year one and \$140,659 for year two through the Center for Rehabilitation Sciences, endowment, and grant funds. The institution is requesting legislative appropriation for the new costs for years three through five.

3. **U. T. System: Discussion concerning the impact of the economic downturn on U. T. System health institutions**

PURPOSE

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5. **U. T. System: Quarterly report on health matters, including educational initiatives in the health sciences, conflict of interest policies and programs, and electronic health record challenges**

REPORT

Executive Vice Chancellor Shine will report on health matters of interest to the U. T. System, including educational initiatives in the health sciences, conflict of interest policies and programs, and electronic health record challenges. This is a quarterly update to the Health Affairs Committee of the U. T. System Board of Regents.