Promotion on the Clinician Educator Track Department of Pediatrics/Vanderbilt University School of Medicine

Promotion to the rank of Associate Professor can be attained when a faculty member is exemplary in one area (service or teaching) & competent in the other as described below. Work should be pursued in a scholarly way (systematic design, implementation, & assessment of activities drawn from literature & best practices) and should result in scholarship (drawing on resources in the field & contributing resources to it (products that are peer reviewed & publicly available beyond Vanderbilt)). Promotion to the rank of Professor includes the same criteria, but the indicators shall be substantially more developed. For Professor, the candidate's sustained contributions must be such that they have achieved recognition at the national or international level.

SERVICE

Possible Forms:

- Exemplary care of such a nature to serve as a role model for trainees
- Contributions to the field characteristic of an academic clinician
- Development of new programs or enhancement of existing programs
- Special contributions to the mission of the Department or School

Exemplary Clinical Care

Scholarly approach taken to care (see above)

Regional or national reputation (regional/national committees, editorial review, meeting organizer)

Clinical referral patterns indicate regional or national reputation

Invited participation in external rounds, conferences

Serves as a role model for trainees

Publication of case reports

Development of new programs or improvement of existing programs

Development of program or introduction of new methods (i.e. QI)

Dissemination of program beyond institution to affect the field

Clearly defined role in development or improvement of programs

Scholarly approach taken to program development or improvement

Program has an impact that can be measured and described

Other institutions or groups study or adopt program

Contributions to the field characteristic of an academic clinician

Scholarly approach taken to care (see above)

Publications that integrate or summarize literature

Introduction of innovative medical advances

Influence on standards of care (specialty bds, residency rev. comm.)

Service on national committees in the field

Participation in clinical trials

Achievement in quality & process improvement projects/programs

Organization of conferences around important topics

Special contributions to the mission of the Department or School

Scholarly approach taken to planning activities (see above)

Regional or national service on committees or organizations

Significant service on institutional committees (i.e. chair or special role)

Extramural consultation with government, industry, academics

Service in community organizations that enhance health:

Health-related community-based organizations (e.g. boards) Campus-community partnerships that serve community & meet

teaching needs

TEACHING

Possible Forms:

- Direct Teaching
- Curriculum Development
- Advising/Mentoring
- Educational Administration/Leadership
- Educational Research

Direct teaching

Scholarly approach taken to teaching (see above)

Excellent ratings on course evaluations or evaluations from trainees Letters from participants describe excellence (lectures or clinical)

Teaching awards

Invited presentations at other institutions

Curriculum or Program Development

Develop new or substantially revise courses or clerkships

Develop new manuals, textbooks, audiovisual aids

Development undertaken in a scholarly way

Impact is measured and described

Advising and mentoring

Substantial influence on a number of trainees documented by letters requested from trainees by the Department

Records of advisees and current positions recorded

Letters of support from past trainees describe impact

Scholarly approach modeled for trainees

Development & implementation of innovative mentoring approaches

National service on committees in the field

Educational Administration/Leadership

Course/program director, curriculum development

Specific contributions measured

Scholarly approach taken to leadership (see above)

New initiatives developed

Measurable impact on program (accreditation, placement)

Invited presentations to describe program

Invitations to implement educational programs

Educational Research

Scholarly approach taken

Participation in high quality research evaluating new programs

Product that is peer-reviewed and publicly available

Invited presentations at other institutions/workshops

Service on national committees

How to demonstrate exemplary performance:

- 1. Faculty member's CV provides listing of professional activities and accomplishments.
- 2. Clinician-Educator's portfolio provides detailed information on service and teaching activities.
- 3. University required Documentation of Teaching and Critical References forms document teaching and scholarship.
- 4. External letters attest to the regional or national (associate professor) or national/international (professor) reputation of the faculty member, including the likelihood that they would be promoted to this rank at the letter writer's institution (5 letters).
- 5. Letters solicited from trainees describe the impact of the faculty member on trainees' career development (3-5 letters).

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