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## Utah Medical Education Council 2015 Physician Workforce Survey

Dear «Prefix» «LAST\_NAME»

The Utah Medical Education Council, in conjunction with the Utah Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing and the Utah Medical Association requests your continued support and partnership in updating the status of Utah's physician workforce by completing the attached survey. Your participation in previous surveys has generated critical data for physician workforce development and planning to meet the healthcare needs of Utah. For a free copy of the report, please visit our website [www.utahmec.org](http://www.utahmec.org).

We are committed to maintaining your privacy. Only de-identified, aggregate data will be published. For any further questions regarding this survey, please contact us at (801) 526-4550. Please return the completed survey in the envelope provided.

For any questions regarding this survey please contact the UMEC at 801-526-4564.

**Please return the completed survey to the UMEC within 30 days** in the enclosed postage paid envelope.

Sincerely,

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# Utah's Physician Workforce Survey 2015

## **SECTION 1: GENERAL INFORMATION, BACKGROUND AND EDUCATION**

1. Are you practicing medicine in Utah?  Yes  No

a. If **NO**, please specify why you maintain a Utah license.

b. If **NO**, on a scale of 1-5 (1 being the most influential and 5 being the least influential), please rank the individual factors that have influenced your choice to work outside of Utah:

Family \_\_\_\_\_ Wage/Pay scale \_\_\_\_\_ Climate \_\_\_\_\_  
Lifestyle \_\_\_\_\_ Work Environment \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**IF YOU DO NOT PRACTICE MEDICINE IN THE STATE OF UTAH, PLEASE STOP HERE AND RETURN THE SURVEY IN THE INCLUDED PRE-PAID ENVELOPE, THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.**

2. Are you of Hispanic ethnicity?  Yes  No

3. What is your race? (please mark only one)

American Indian/Alaska Native  African American  Asian  
 Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander  White/Caucasian  Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Please describe the area where you spent the majority of your upbringing (when you lived there):

Rural  Suburban  Urban/Metropolitan Area State: \_\_\_\_\_

5. The county, state and country where you attended high school:

County (if in Utah): \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

6. The institution from which you received your  MD or  DO degree (please check the degree that applies):

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Please check the program(s) you have completed (or are currently in), list the specialties in which you have trained (or are training), name of the institution, state, and the year (or expected year) of completion: (please fill in details for all programs you have attended/are attending)

a.  Internship  Residency  Fellowship Specialty: \_\_\_\_\_  
Institution: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Year of Completion: \_\_\_\_\_

b.  Internship  Residency  Fellowship Specialty: \_\_\_\_\_  
Institution: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Year of Completion: \_\_\_\_\_

c.  Internship  Residency  Fellowship Specialty: \_\_\_\_\_  
Institution: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Year of Completion: \_\_\_\_\_

8. Please enter a code from the list below indicating the amount of educational debt you **CURRENTLY** have from your medical training. Also, please enter a code indicating the **TOTAL** educational debt you had for your medical training **at the time of your graduation from medical school**. (exclude any premedical and non-education debt including residency relocation loans, cars and credit cards) Current: \_\_\_\_\_ Total: \_\_\_\_\_

01= \$0.00	04= \$75,000 to \$99,999	07= \$150,000 to \$174,999	10= \$250,000 to \$274,999
02= > \$0.00 to \$49,999	05= \$100,000 to \$124,999	08= \$175,000 to \$199,999	11= \$275,000 to \$299,999
03= \$50,000 to \$74,999	06= \$125,000 to \$149,999	09= \$200,000 to \$249,999	12= \$300,000 or more

9. Please enter a code indicating your **average annual gross compensation?** (before taxes AND excluding benefits) Compensation: \_\_\_\_\_

01= \$49,999 or less	04= \$100,000 to \$124,999	07= \$175,000 to \$199,999	10= \$250,000 to \$274,999
02= \$50,000 to \$74,999	05= \$125,000 to \$149,999	08= \$200,000 to \$224,999	11= \$275,000 to \$299,999
03= \$75,000 to \$99,999	06= \$150,000 to \$174,999	09= \$225,000 to \$249,999	12= \$300,000 or more

**SECTION 2: YOUR WORK SETTING/ SPECIALTY**

**10. What is your primary work status?** (please check **ONE** of the following)

- Actively working in a position that requires a medical license       Actively working in a field other than medicine       Not currently working       Retired

**11. Please enter a code from the list below to describe your Primary \_\_\_\_\_ and Secondary \_\_\_\_\_ practice settings:**

- |   |   |  |
|---|---|--|
| 01= Office/Clinic- Solo Practice          | 08= Federal Hospital (VA)                       | 15= Local Health Department                |
| 02= Office/Clinic- Single Specialty Group | 09= Research Laboratory                         | 16= Academic Faculty                       |
| 03= Office/Clinic- Multi Specialty Group  | 10= Medical School                              | 17= Volunteer in a Free Clinic             |
| 04= Hospital- Inpatient                   | 11= Nursing Home/ Ext. Care Fac.                | 18= Correctional Facility                  |
| 05= Hospital- Outpatient                  | 12= Home Health Setting                         | 19= University/College Student Health Fac. |
| 06= Hospital- Emergency Department        | 13= Hospice Care                                | 20= Other (specify): _____                 |
| 07= Hospital- Ambulatory Care Center      | 14= Federally Qualified Community Health Center |  |

**12. Excluding residency/ fellowship, have you voluntarily switched employers/practices within the past five years?**

- YES     NO

**a. If YES, please use the list of settings above to indicate the work setting you left and the work setting you moved to:** Setting Code Left: \_\_\_\_\_ Setting Code Moved To: \_\_\_\_\_

**b. If YES please check the reason(s) for this change of work setting**

- |  |  |  |   |
|--|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Better Work/Education Fit | <input type="checkbox"/> Desire for Change       | <input type="checkbox"/> Higher Pay      | <input type="checkbox"/> More Challenging         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Moved Residence           | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal/Family Reasons | <input type="checkbox"/> Preferred hours | <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Advancement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Work Responsibilities     | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____             |  |   |

**13. Please enter the code from the list below which most closely resembles your:**

**Primary specialty:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Secondary specialty:** \_\_\_\_\_

- |                                     |                                      |                                     |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 01= Allergy and Immunology          | 18= Internal Medicine (General)      | 35= Psychiatry                      |
| 02= Anesthesiology (General)        | 19= Internal Medicine and Pediatrics | 36= Psychiatry-Child and Adolescent |
| 03= Anesth.-Pain Management         | 20= Other IM Subspecialties          | 37= Other Psychiatry Subspecialties |
| 04= Other Anesth. Subspecialties    | 21= Nephrology                       | 38= Pulmonary Disease/CCM           |
| 05= Cardio-Thoracic Surgery         | 22= Neurology                        | 39= Radiology (Diagnostic)          |
| 06= Cardiology                      | 23= Nuclear Medicine                 | 40= Radiology (Therapeutic)         |
| 07= Critical Care Medicine          | 24= OB/GYN (General)                 | 41= Rheumatology                    |
| 08= Dermatology                     | 25= OB/GYN Subspecialties            | 42= Sleep Medicine                  |
| 09= Emergency Care                  | 26= Ophthalmology                    | 43= Sports Medicine                 |
| 10= Endocrinology and Metabolism    | 27= Otolaryngology                   | 44= Surgery (General)               |
| 11= Family Practice                 | 28= Pathology (General)              | 45= Surgery-Cardio-Thoracic         |
| 12= Gastroenterology                | 29= Pathology Subspecialties         | 46= Surgery-Orthopedic              |
| 13= Geriatrics                      | 30= Pediatrics (General)             | 47= Surgery-Plastic                 |
| 14= Hematology/Oncology             | 31= Pediatrics Subspecialties        | 48= Other Surgical Subspecialties   |
| 15= Hospice and Palliative Medicine | 32= Physical Med. and Rehab.         | 49= Urology                         |
| 16= Hospitalist                     | 33= Plastic Surgery                  | 50= Other Specialty                 |
| 17= Infectious Diseases             | 34= Prev. Med./Public or Occ. Health |                                     |

**a. If you indicated a Subspecialty or Other above, please indicate the specific specialty.** \_\_\_\_\_

**14. Are you currently board certified in the specialties you indicated in question 13:**

- a. Primary specialty**  Yes  No    **b. Secondary specialty**  Yes  No

15. At what age do you plan to retire? \_\_\_\_\_

16. Prior to retirement, do you plan to reduce the number of hours you practice per week?  Yes  No

If yes, please specify:

- a. How many years from now do you plan to reduce your hours? \_\_\_\_\_ Yrs
- b. How many hours per week will you practice after reducing your hours? \_\_\_\_\_ Hrs/Wk

**SECTION 3: YOUR PRACTICE**

17. Please indicate **Zip Code**, of your primary practice setting and secondary practice setting (if applicable) Also, please estimate the **total hours worked per week** (not including on-call) at each practice location AND the number of hours you spend in **DIRECT PATIENT CARE** each week, including charting, but excluding the hours spent providing patient care combined with teaching or training of other medical professionals: (unless all of the hours you work each week are spent in direct patient care without any teaching or training of other medical professionals, the total hours worked should be less than the number of direct patient care hours reported.)

Primary Practice Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Hours/ wk: \_\_\_\_\_ Direct Patient Care Hours/ wk: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secondary Practice Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Hours/ wk: \_\_\_\_\_ Direct Patient Care Hours/ wk: \_\_\_\_\_

a. If you DO provide **direct patient care**, please indicate what PERCENT of the hours you spend with patients is dedicated to the following types of care:

	<u>Preventative Care</u>	<u>Acute Care</u>	<u>Chronic Care</u>	<u>Total</u>
Primary Practice:	_____	_____	_____	(100%)
Secondary Practice:	_____	_____	_____	(100%)

a. If you DO NOT provide direct patient care, how many years has it been since you did? \_\_\_\_\_ years.

18. Please indicate the average hours per week you spend in the following **NON-PATIENT CARE** activities: (The total number of hours distributed between non-patient care activities should not exceed the number of hours left over after the hours reported being spent in direct patient care per week are subtracted from the total number of hours worked per week reported above).

<u>NON-PATIENT ACTIVITY</u>	<u>Hrs./Wk.</u> <u>PRIMARY</u> <u>SITE</u>	<u>Hrs./Wk.</u> <u>SECONDARY</u> <u>SITE</u>
a. <b>Classroom Training of other Professionals</b> (Clinical and/or classroom teaching of students without patient care)	_____	_____
b. <b>Combined Patient Care with Teaching/Training other Physicians</b> (Supervising/training of residents/ students while delivering patient care)	_____	_____
c. <b>Administration/ Management</b> (budgeting, personnel management, NOT in support of patient care)	_____	_____
d. <b>Practice Management</b> (budgeting, planning, activities to maintain operation of a practice)	_____	_____
e. <b>Consulting/ Research</b> (Reports, applications, surveys, etc., NOT in support of patient care)	_____	_____
f. <b>Other:</b> _____ (NOT in support of patient care)	_____	_____

19. In a typical day, how many Out-patients do you see per hour? Office: \_\_\_\_\_ Urgent Care: \_\_\_\_\_ ER: \_\_\_\_\_

20. In a typical day, how many In-patients do you see per hour? Hospital: \_\_\_\_\_ Extended Care Facilities: \_\_\_\_\_

**21. Please estimate the percentage (%) of patients you see from each of the following age groups  
(Total of all practice locations. Sum for each patient category should equal 100%)**

Outpatients: 0-19 \_\_\_\_\_ 20-64 \_\_\_\_\_ 65-84 \_\_\_\_\_ 85+ \_\_\_\_\_ (total 100%)  
 Inpatients: 0-19 \_\_\_\_\_ 20-64 \_\_\_\_\_ 65-84 \_\_\_\_\_ 85+ \_\_\_\_\_ (total 100%)

**22. What percentage of your patients are insured by: (please make sure the percentages add up to a 100%)**

Medicaid \_\_\_\_\_ % Self-Pay/Uninsured \_\_\_\_\_ % Charity Care \_\_\_\_\_ %  
 Medicare \_\_\_\_\_ % Private Ins./Managed Care \_\_\_\_\_ % VA/Tri-Care (CHAMPUS) \_\_\_\_\_ %

**23. Do you limit the number of new patients in the following categories: (please check all that apply)**

Medicaid  Medicare  Self Pay/Uninsured  Other New Insured  Not Limiting

**24. On average, how many days must patients wait for an appointment?**

Primary Practice: New Patients: \_\_\_\_\_ days Established Patients: \_\_\_\_\_ days  
 Secondary Practice: New Patients: \_\_\_\_\_ days Established Patients: \_\_\_\_\_ days

**25. Please indicate a code for the status of your primary \_\_\_\_\_ and secondary \_\_\_\_\_ practice location(s).**

01= Full (cannot accept additional patients) 03= Unfilled (can accept many new patients, far from full)  
 02= Nearly Full (can accept a limited number of new patients) 04= N/A (practice site is VA, military, or corrections)

**26. Please check the technology(s) that you currently use in your practice (please check all that apply):**

Electronic (patient) Medical Record (EMR) system  Electronic Patient Panel  
 e-Prescribing system  Health Information Exchange  Telemedicine  None of the above

**SECTION 4: Healthcare Team Interaction**

**27. In providing direct patient care, what percent of your time is spent working in a team with each the following medical professionals?**

	Care	Mental			Primary	Sub-	
APRN	Coordinator	Health	PA	Pharmacist	Care	Specialist	RN
		Professional			Physician	Physician	
_____ %	_____ %	_____ %	_____ %	_____ %	_____ %	_____ %	_____ %

**28. Would you say that the team works to establish shared goals that reflect patient and family priorities and can be clearly articulated, understood and supported by all team members?**

Strongly Disagree  Disagree  Neutral  Agree  Strongly Agree

**29. Would you say that there are clear expectations for each team member's functions, responsibilities and accountabilities, which often make it possible for the team to take advantage of division of labor, thereby accomplishing more than the sum of its parts?**

Strongly Disagree  Disagree  Neutral  Agree  Strongly Agree

**30. Would you say that team members earn each other's trust, creating strong norms of reciprocity and greater opportunities for shared achievement?**

Strongly Disagree  Disagree  Neutral  Agree  Strongly Agree

**31. Would you say that the team prioritizes and continuously refines its communication skills and has consistent channels for candid and complete communication, which are accessed and used by all team members across the setting?**

Strongly Disagree  Disagree  Neutral  Agree  Strongly Agree

**32. Would you say that the team agrees on and implements reliable and timely feedback on successes and failures in both the functioning of the team and achievement of the team's goals, and that these are used to track and improve performance immediately and over time?**

Strongly Disagree  Disagree  Neutral  Agree  Strongly Agree

**Thank you for your participation. Please return the survey in the enclosed envelope.**