

## **UC Davis Health GME Statement regarding the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Program**

Since its establishment in 2012, the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program<sup>1</sup> has provided renewable, two-year term employment authorization and protection from removal (“deportation”) and other benefits for recipients from undocumented backgrounds, allowing them the opportunity to pursue higher education in the United States without fear of deportation.

UC Davis School of Medicine is committed to providing a safe and supportive environment for its undocumented students and to providing the resources for their success. On Nov. 30, 2016, UC President Janet Napolitano issued a *Statement of Principles in Support of Undocumented Members of the UC Community*<sup>2</sup>. This statement reaffirms UC’s commitment to vigorously protect the privacy and civil rights of undocumented learners, as it does all members of its community. The principles assert that UC, including UC Davis School of Medicine will continue to welcome and support residents and fellows without regard to immigration status, will not share student information without legal warrant and will not take part in joint efforts with any government agency to carry out federal immigration policy. **Immigration status is not considered in the evaluation of applicants for our residency and fellowship programs.**

The UC Davis Health Office of Graduate Medical Education and the Office of Student and Resident Diversity will continue to support residents, and fellows protected by DACA in achieving their goal of becoming American Board of Medical Specialties certified physicians.

We wish to highlight some important resources that we encourage you to explore during your time training with us here at UC Davis.

- **UC Immigrant Legal Services Center (UCIMM)**  
<https://law.ucdavis.edu/ucimm/>
- **UC Davis Office for Health Equity, Diversity and Inclusion**  
<https://health.ucdavis.edu/diversity-inclusion/>
- **UC Davis Undocumented Student Resource Center**  
<https://undocumented.ucdavis.edu/students/basic-needs/resources>
- **University of California – Federal Updates**  
<https://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/federal-updates>

### References:

1. <https://www.nilc.org/resources/timeline-daca-in-the-courts/>
2. <http://undoc.universityofcalifornia.edu/files/uc-principles-in-support-of-undocumented-members-of-the-uc-community.pdf>