

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER AT EL PASO
Paul L. Foster School of Medicine
GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION
Standard Policy and/or Procedure

TITLE:	External Moonlighting Policy (Outside Remunerative Activities)
APPROVED:	5/18/2000
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EFFECTIVE DATE:	7/1/2009; 7/1/2000; 6/14/2013; 2/8/2017
PURPOSE:	To clearly distinguish the type of moonlighting that is not part of a trainee's program for which the sponsoring institution provides no liability coverage and accepts no legal responsibility.
POLICY STATEMENT:	Residents/Fellows may engage in external moonlighting under certain circumstances (see below). However, Residents/Fellows are not required to engage in external moonlighting.

External Moonlighting is defined as any activity associated with the practice of medicine, from which the trainee receives compensation in cash or in kind exchange for functioning as a private physician.

Residents/Fellows may be allowed to engage in external moonlighting during their unassigned duty period contingent upon the applicable program director's written approval and accountability towards the 80-hour rule. It is the resident's responsibility to:

1. have an independent license for the practice of medicine (resident may not use a PIT permit);
2. procure and maintain his/her professional liability for such moonlighting as no professional liability insurance will be provided by TTUHSCEP for those activities;
3. not display or communicate to patients or patients' families his/her education affiliation with TTUHSCEP or his/her training program while functioning as a private physician;
4. not be performed during any assigned duty, including 'at home call'; and
5. not be performed during their first year of training.

J-1 Visa Holders are not allowed to perform external moonlighting as stated in the ECFMG excerpt below.

ECFMG Excerpt:

The primary objective of each ECFMG-sponsored Exchange Visitor is to receive graduate medical training in the United States that ultimately will enhance his/her skills in a specialty field of medicine. Visa sponsorship, which is documented by Form DS-2019 [*Certificate of Eligibility for Exchange Visitor (J-1 Visa) Status*] and issued by ECFMG, authorizes a specific training activity and associated financial compensation. Federal regulations **do not permit activity and/or financial compensation outside of the defined parameters of the training program**. Therefore, employment outside of approved residency or fellowship training (or "moonlighting") is not permitted. Detailed information on this subject is available at www.ecfm.org/evsp/evspemot.pdf.