RESIDENT FORUM

I. Purpose

1. The Resident Forum's primary function is to encourage communication between the residents and the UNSOM administration on all issues pertinent to graduate medical education.
2. Representatives to the resident forum are residents selected by their peers from each of the residency programs at UNSOM.

II. Policy

1. The Resident Forum assists in identifying concerns about the work environment and in seeking solutions. The Forum disseminates institutional information to the residents and seeks their input into issues that affect them. Our hope is that this open venue for communication will improve patient care and resident education.
2. Resident members are encouraged to utilize the Forum for expressing general concerns about residency education or any other matters they choose.
3. The Forum may elect to participate in operations or quality improvement and restructuring initiatives.

III. Procedure

1. Members of the Resident Forum are peer selected and represent the individual residency programs at UNSOM (psychiatry, family medicine, internal medicine, pediatrics, emergency medicine, obstetrics and gynecology, plastic surgery, and general surgery).
2. The Associate Dean of Graduate Medical Education or his/her delegate(s) shall also serve as members of the Forum.
3. The Chief Operating Officer of the primary teaching institution will serve as a member of the Forum.
4. Discussion items may be placed on the agenda by contacting the resident representatives or the Graduate Medical Education Office.
5. Minutes shall be prepared and distributed to each department representative.