## The FUTURE of HEALTH CARE TODAY

## DEFINING THE VISION AND MISSION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER

**VISION:** To serve as the premier State resource in bringing to bear the health sciences in the promotion and maintenance of a health society.

MISSION: The mission of the University of Tennessee Health Science Center is to bring the benefits of the health sciences to the achievement and maintenance of human health, with a focus on the citizens of Tennessee and the region, by pursuing an integrated program of education, research, clinical care, and public service.

The University of Tennessee Health Science Center pursues this mission by:

- Producing caring, competent, and ethical patient-focused healthcare
  professionals prepared to detect, treat, and prevent human disease and injury,
  as well as provide guidance in the achievement and maintenance of human
  health;
- Contributing to the discovery and development of concepts, procedures, and products to enable the effective detection, treatment, and prevention of human disease and injury;
- Delivering comprehensive health care services, based on contemporary evidence-based research, to the citizens of Tennessee and the region; and
- Serving as a resource to other state agencies, elected policy-makers, and
  professional health care organizations, on policy, practice, and scientific issues
  related to the achievement and maintenance of human health as well as the
  equitable, efficient, and cost-effective delivery of health care services and
  products.

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