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Dear Colleagues, residents and students:

The University Of Tennessee College Of Medicine Chattanooga, (UTCOMC) is committed to promote physician and trainee wellbeing and engagement. This issue is of high priority for us, and we have partnered with our affiliate hospital The Erlanger Health System (EHS), in this endeavor. With the assistance of the wellness task force which draws on the experience and participation from UTCOMC GME leadership, the Chief Medical Officer, Chief Nursing Officer, Chief of Staff and a champion from most departments we have initiated a program which is dedicated to:

- Understanding and promoting physician and trainee engagement and well-being
- Providing resources for physicians and trainees that help them promote their own wellness
- Discovering personal and organizational approaches to prevent and address physician and trainee distress
- Creating a workplace culture that is energy replenishing

WELLNESS TASK FORCE

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We appreciate your assistance in completing the survey sent in the late summer of 2016. The results will be available on the UTCOMC website and EHS intranet.

Sincerely,



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Professor and Dean



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