



41. Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine and the Multispecialty Clinic – Family Medicine (Downers Grove)

CCOM Strategic Objective

Be a leader in osteopathic medical education, medical research, and collaborative health professions education.

MSC Strategic Objective

Maximize the ability of the Multispecialty Clinic – Family Medicine clinic to reach its fullest potential in the areas of student success, teaching excellence, scholarship, growth, and development while providing excellence in patient care.

Priorities: Fiscal Years - 2026/2031 -

- ✦ Incorporate Planetary Health topics into the Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine (CCOM) curriculum from a public health perspective to align with the planned School of Veterinary Medicine in 2026.
- ✦ Expand interprofessional collaborative health education with the other Midwestern University colleges. Identify a single educational focus that colleges and programs embrace from an interdisciplinary perspective.
- ✦ Develop a plan to implement an assessment of student performance in Clinical and Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine (OMM) competency that will meet the national requirements for C3DO (which is now under development) once the format is released by NBOME.
- ✦ Expand OMT-centric primary care development in the Multispecialty Clinic.
- ✦ Initiate a Dean’s Advisory Council (to include health system leaders) and a Costin Institute Advisory Board (or its equivalent).
- ✦ Expand relationships and articulation agreements with local undergraduate colleges.
- ✦ Broaden programs that reach out to local elementary schools and high schools regarding career opportunities in the healthcare professions
- ✦ Enhance scholarship funding opportunities

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Goal	Operational Plan	Accountability	Initiate	Complete	Comments
41.1	Expand the medical school curriculum to include the didactic coverage of the pathophysiological effects of warming climate on humans.	Dean		2027	-Explore the new “Planetary Health” curriculum as the next step in One Health curricular coverage.
41.2	Collaborate with Development and Alumni Relations to promote and implement: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Updated alumni plan for fundraising. o Endowment/development program for scholarships and research. o Develop a mentorship program via Alumni Relations for student mentorship. o Alumni Events with the inclusion of current students 	Deans and VP of University Relations	2022	2027	– CCOM is participating and supporting in every way to connect with alumni through attending receptions, participating in fundraising activities, and pursuing endowment/development funds collaboratively.
41.3	Appoint an advisory committee charged with the exploration, development, and subsequent recommendation list for the introduction of AI into the medical and other program curriculums.	Deans and AAC	2025	2027	-develop a plan to address the use and misuse of AI in the MWU graduate program curriculums, which will include how AI is used in patient care.
41.4	Expand the scope of the Costin Institute to include the three primary processes of medical education (UME/GME/CME) while positioning Costin as a valuable operational center for Midwestern University. Develop Costin into a national leader in osteopathic medical education	Dean	2024	2027	-collaborate with the Osteopathic Heritage Foundation and develop an advisory board to help guide Costin in continuing to align with the original proposal which was approved 20 years ago.

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41.5	Create a plan for the incorporation of training and assessment of primary care and OPP/OMM Clinical Skills to serve as the assessment instrument for C3DO as NBOME moves ahead with its COM based program to replace the COMLEX Level-2 PE examination.	Associate Deans of Clinical Education and Chair of OMM	2025	2027	– Develop a team to draft and implement the training and assessment process.
41.6	. Expand faculty development programs for our clinical science leadership and faculty	Assoc Deans	2025	2028	– Develop a program and schedule, along with assessment of chair and clinical faculty needs in the area of professional development, especially for the incorporation of individual developmental plans
41.7	Charge the accreditation/self-study committee to meet with each change of the standards at a minimum to assess needs for compliance and be prepared for accreditation assessments in advance of the need for an actual self-study	Dean	2024	2026	– Emphasis to be placed on new standards and the mid-cycle report due in the next 2 years

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41.8	Initiate a business of medicine program as an elective program for interested medical students. Consider virtual format.	Dean	2025	2026	– Review currently available programs for purchase along with Dell program and the development of an individual program.
41.9	Substantially expand the use and interpretation of ultrasound diagnostic imaging in the medical school curriculum.	Dean, associate deans	2024	2026	– Review commercial programs
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41.10	Increase the number of student rotations available with MSC providers.	Dean, CAO	2021	CLOSED	– CLOSED --- This objective will be revisited with any new physician hires.
41.11	Increasing the volume of unique Quest Diagnostic patient visits at the MSC to an average of 430/month.	MSC Medical Director, IT, and CAO, Marketing	2021	Ongoing	– Quest has placed a phlebotomist on site; services are being expanded to include other departments, including the Chicago College of Optometry, the College of Dental Medicine-Illinois, Risk Management, and the Institute for Healthcare Innovation. To maintain this relationship, MWU must have an average of 430 unique patient visits/per month.
41.12	Maintain compliance with CMS’s Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS).	CCOM Dean, MSC Medical Director, and IT	2019	Ongoing	– Outside consultants have been retained to help the MSC achieve compliance in the area. These consultants are actively training the FMC team to optimize clinic workflows to align with the electronic medical record functionality and reporting requirements.

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41.13	Implement pharmacy wellness and preventive services in the FMC.	College of Pharmacy and CCOM Deans	2018	Ongoing	– Collaborative agreement between FMC and Pharmacy in place; pharmacist maternity leaves and pharmacy running COVID vaccine clinic have delayed this. The current plan is to implement pharmacy-led Medicare Wellness visits for eligible FMC patients starting in August 2022
41.14	Expand marketing plan and funding to increase public and business community awareness of the FMC and its care offerings.	CAO, Deans, Marketing Department, Medical Director	2018	Ongoing	– Medical Director of FMC is working closely with the newly expanding marketing department to expand the marketing reach for the FMC.
41.15	Increase scholarly activity and teaching by developing a faculty incentive plan specifically designed to reward academic and scholarly/research activity for physicians who are not on “guarantee”	CAO, Dean, and Medical Director	2021	Ongoing	– Development of an academic incentive plan would likely increase physician interest in joining the FMC medical staff

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41.16	Explore options for the introduction of Medical Spanish into the CCOM curriculum	Dean	2023	Ongoing	– Explore options that include immersive and non-immersive programs
41.17	Explore options for elective or core course education in the business of healthcare	Dean, Costin Institute	2023	Ongoing	-explore options that include electives, core courses, or collaboration with a locally located business program
41.18	Explore options to develop a faculty position that would provide mentoring and supervision to assist students with research and publication	Dean, ORSP, associate deans	2023	Ongoing	-paid faculty member or consultant