Plastic Surgery Program Aims

1. Assist residents in developing laboratory experience and microsurgical clinical expertise
2. Foster effective interdisciplinary collaborative relationships
3. Provide residents with a nurturing and supportive educational and clinical environment that promotes patient safety, resident well-being, optimal learning, and professional development
4. Provide a humane and supportive learning environment that allows for individual growth and respects personal and family needs
5. Provide a training program in plastic and reconstructive surgery that is well organized, comprehensive and meets the requirements of the ACGME Plastic Surgery Residency Review Committee
6. Provide learning experiences based on measurable objectives for education in the six general competencies (patient care, medical knowledge, practice-based learning and improvement, interpersonal and communication skills, professionalism, and systems-based practice), as set forth by the ACGME Plastic Surgery Residency Review Committee
7. Provide a coordinated and integrated effort between participating institutions that includes qualified teaching staff to assist residents in developing progressively responsible skills in judgment, patient management, and surgical techniques in the various aspects of this specialty (e.g. cosmetic, trauma, maxillofacial, general reconstructive, burns, congenital, head and neck, and hand surgery)
8. Provide an academic program that will include the development and utilization of appropriate educational activities incorporating a journal club, conferences, seminars and attendance at regional and national meetings to foster the spirit of inquiry
9. Prepare plastic surgery residents to use research technology and skills in conducting and interpreting studies that assist in solving surgical problems and promote scholarly activity
10. Develop the teaching ability of plastic surgery residents to function as teachers and consultants
11. Develop professional leadership and management skills
12. Promote the understanding of the economic, legal, ethical and social challenges of contemporary and future plastic surgery