UC Davis Health GME Statement regarding the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Program

Since its establishment in 2012, the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program has provided renewable, two-year term legal protections and other benefits for recipients from undocumented backgrounds, allowing them the opportunity to pursue higher education in the United States without fear of deportation. DACA was rescinded by the White House on September 5, 2017; the future of DACA is currently being decided in the US court system. In the meantime, UC Davis residency and fellowship programs will continue to consider all eligible applicants, including those with DACA status. Individuals with DACA status have contributed greatly to the education, research, and patient care activities of the University of California and have enriched the diversity of our training programs. The UC Davis Health Graduate Medical Education Committee (GMEC) and the Office of Student and Resident Diversity (OSRD) will continue to support students, residents, and fellows with DACA status in achieving their goal of becoming America Board of Medical Specialties certified physicians.

We are grateful for the leadership of UC President Napolitano and UC Davis Chancellor May in championing the rights of those with DACA status.

For more information, please see the additional resources below:

UC Davis Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion https://www.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/diversity-inclusion/

UC Davis AB540 and Undocumented Student Center http://undocumented.ucdavis.edu/resources/index.html

University of California - Information on Immigration https://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/immigration