FAQ’s

1. **Does this program allow seniors in High School to be granted conditional acceptance into the UNTHSC-TCOM DO right out of High School?** No, this is not a guaranteed admission at any time, especially not at high school graduation.

2. **Are High School graduates guaranteed a spot in this program right out of High School?** No you will not be guaranteed admission to medical school nor to the Pathway to Osteopathic Medicine right-out-of-high-school. Please refer to the steps required for the program as listed earlier.

3. **When do I apply to this program?** After you have completed your freshman year at UNT but before you start your second year, you will need to complete the P2OM Interest Form. The form is available in the Health Professions Advising Office.

4. **Does a student need to apply to this program during their sophomore year at UNT?** If you have met all of the initial criteria of the program at UNT, your P2OM Interest Form must be submitted BEFORE you begin your sophomore year. During your sophomore year, you will be participating in the Health Professions Advisory Committee (HPAC) process which is required prior to applying to medical school.

5. **Do I apply to the UNTHSC’s medical school during my sophomore year in college?** The Application opens May 1 of each year. You may begin the application to UNTHSC-TCOM from May 1 to August 1 after completion of the HPAC process. Although the application is open until September 30, students applying through this program must submit the TMDSAS primary application on or before August 31. The TCOM secondary application must be submitted on or before September 15.

6. **I am interested in a guaranteed admission right out of High School. Is this such a program?** No this is not that sort of program.

7. **How many seats are available for this program?** This is a highly selective program that looks at each applicant individually, carefully evaluating not only the cognitive but also the non-cognitive traits of the student as evidenced through their academics, their leadership, community service, healthcare related experiences, letters-of-recommendation, personal essays, and interviews. We do not have a limit on the number of students that may be offered early acceptance but in past experience only 30% of the entering students make it to the interview process.

8. **Is this program only for PCP or can I choose to be a Pediatrician?** This program is for the Doctor of Osteopathy which means you can specialize in any field you choose.

9. **Does a student have to major in Biology?** As mentioned in the packet, students interested in this program MUST be BA in Biology majors.

10. **How much this program cost? Is medical school expensive?** Please see the next few pages for information regarding cost-of-attendance and scholarships for both of the institutions. Be aware that the amounts shown are subject to change and you are advised to contact the Offices of Financial Aid directly for the most current information.