

Director for Education, Training, & Research

The Director for Education, Training, & Research (ETR) for Walter Reed National Military Medical Center (WRNMMC) serves as the principal staff advisor to the MTF Director on all matters related to staff and faculty development, health professions education, graduate medical education, medical library services, and research compliance and oversight. As a member of the WRNMMC Board of Directors (BOD), the Director for ETR supports and facilitates an interdisciplinary team approach to hospital operations, the overall delivery of care to patients and families, education and development of the staff, operational skills maintenance for Active Duty, and conduct of scholarly inquiry.

Director for Education, Training, and Research duties include:

- Advise the Hospital Director on all matters pertaining to the management of Hospital Education and Training (including staff and faculty development and health professions education), the Department of Research Programs, Graduate Medical and Dental Education, Medical Library services, and the Department of Simulation.
- In concert with other WRNMMC executive leadership, participates in strategic planning, development, implementation, and evaluation of clinical and educational programs and services, assuring appropriate resources for the safe delivery of patient care, requisite education and development of staff, residents, students, and faculty; and appropriate regulatory oversight and education of staff, residents, students, and faculty involved in the conduct of research and other forms of scholarly inquiry.
- Articulates the Military Health System vision and priorities and is accountable for patient care quality and safety in collaboration with other Hospital leaders.
- Identifies and articulates the vision and strategic direction for the education and development of staff, residents, students, and faculty across all patient care settings for WRNMMC; the GME programs at WRNMMC; the Graduate Dental Education programs at WRNMMC, and the research trajectory for WRNMMC. Directs and collaborates on the implementation of strategies to achieve those strategic trajectories.
- Responsible for the timely and effective operation of subordinate Departments. Coordinates, implements, and executes policies and procedures for Departments within ETR Directorate.
- Serves as the senior spokesperson for active duty, civilian and contract personnel assigned to the Directorate and for all matters related to the continuing education and development of WRNMMC staff; the research and scholarly inquiry conducted by WRNMMC staff and residents, and GME compliance.
- Collaborates with the Service command leaders and designated training officers to align and execute Service-specific and required training for active-duty personnel assigned to the MTF as well as develops an approach for training readiness from a joint perspective via Joint Knowledge Online (JKO).
- Promotes and fosters a multidisciplinary educational approach to enable, support, and optimize the delivery of patient care and hospital operations.
- Assures the ETR Directorate is compliant with all applicable standards and requirements of The Joint Commission, Defense Health Agency, Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, Military Training Network, federal, state, and local regulations that guide the conduct of research, external credentialing bodies, and all other applicable regulatory bodies.

- Collaborates with education and training entities across the DHN NCR to provide standardized, cost-effective, and efficient training as required by DHA. Represents WRNMMC at DHN NCR Education, Training and Research forums and working groups.
- Performs other appropriate functions as directed by higher authority.

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