

## The University of Texas Medical School at Houston

### GMEC POLICY STATEMENT – *Lab Coats*

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The purpose of this policy is to set forth the terms and conditions for providing lab coats to residents and clinical fellows employed by The University of Texas System Medical Foundation.

New residents in approved GME Programs are provided with two lab coats; returning residents are provided with one coat each year; and residents transferring from one program to another are provided with one coat. Programs may order additional coats directly from the UTMSH Bookstore at the Program's expense.

All lab coats ordered through the GME Office will include a patch. Monogramming, name tags, and special order coats, such as all cotton lab coats are not paid for by the GME Office. These additional costs are the responsibility of the Program.

Name presentation on lab coats must be the residents/fellows official name as reflected in GME records. The GME Office **will not** provide new lab coats for name changes.

The GME Office will establish the yearly deadline for ordering coats. Residency programs must follow the electronic ordering system as established by the GME Office. Reminders for processing lab coat orders are provided to residency coordinators each spring.

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