

# Clinical Operations Committee Charter V5

Delivering Exceptional Health Care for New Mexico

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## Purpose

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The Clinical Operations Committee (COC) is the coordinating body for clinical initiatives and services across the UNM Health System (HS). It supports the Clinical Leadership Group (CLG) by reviewing data, conducting analyses, and providing well-informed recommendations on clinical initiatives and service changes. The COC ensures that broad stakeholder input is considered through comprehensive data gathering and engagement. Its work focuses on aligning clinical resources and operational readiness prior to advancement for approval by the CLG.

Guiding principles for the COC include:

- Collaboration across missions
- Transparency in decision-making
- Accountability to stakeholders
- Commitment to continuous improvement
- Respect for all individuals and perspectives

## Responsibilities

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The COC is responsible for reviewing and assessing clinical initiatives and services proposed or delivered by all Health System clinical entities.

## Key Functions

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The COC is responsible for:

- Developing and implementing a standardized process to review new clinical initiatives from strategic, operational, and financial perspectives
- Establishing a regular review process for existing clinical services to assess continued alignment with strategic, operational, and financial goals
- Evaluating clinical resource requests based on value to the community, mission alignment, and fiscal sustainability
- Ensuring communication with and to key stakeholders, including Clinical Service Chiefs
- Establish structure or committees to ensure support of educational and research missions within the clinical enterprise
- Recommending institutional standard work

## Governance

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The Clinical Operations Committee reports to the CLG. The Charter will be reviewed at least on a biennial basis and any amendments to the Charter will be voted on by the COC and advanced to the CLG for approval.

## Meetings

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The Clinical Leadership Group meets bi-monthly and as needed. COC recommendations are based on majority vote of the members.

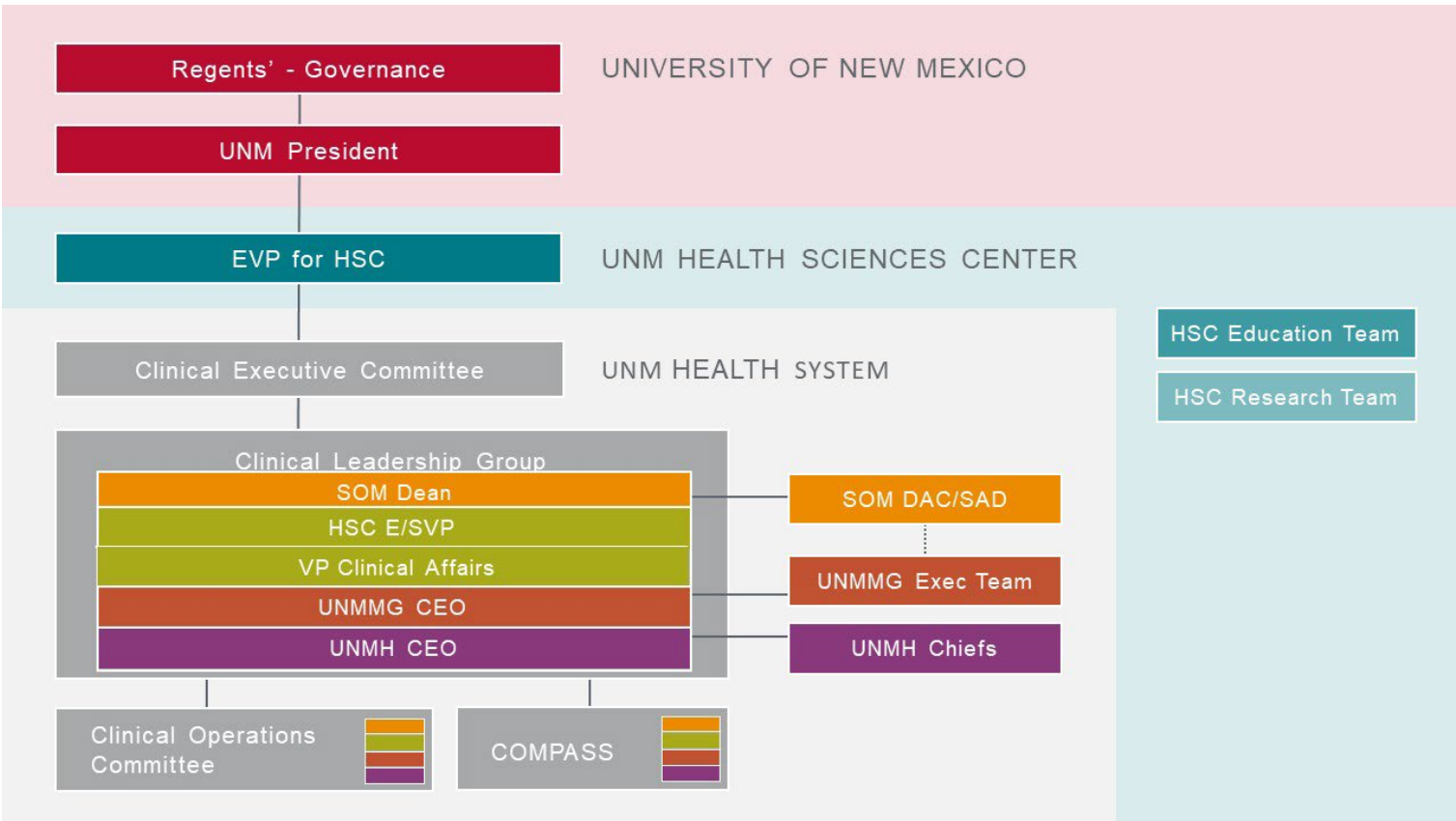
## Membership

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Chair: The CEO of UNMH will appoint the chair and the SOM Dean will appoint the vice chair.

The standing members of the COC are:

- Senior Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs of the SOM
- COO of UNM Hospital
- CMO of UNM Hospital
- CFO of UNM Hospital
- CFO of UNM Medical Group
- CFO of UNM Cancer Center
- CFO of UNM SOM
- COO of UNM Medical Group
- CMO of UNM Medical Group
- Chief Quality Officer of UNM Hospital
- Three Department chairs, self or peer nominated and appointed by the Dean, representing Hospital based services, Ambulatory services, and Surgical services, respectively. The term will be for 2 years and renewable.



Additional committees may be added under the CLG as needed.