Vision

To develop a world-class center for education, patient care, and research that prepares Nevada’s doctors with the most innovative and technologically advanced forms of medical training while servicing the health care needs of a diverse and urban population through community partnerships.

The UNLV School of Medicine will:

• Train doctors and specialists who will serve Nevada

• Focus on mental health and addiction, neuroscience, cardiology, cancer, and orthopedics

• Generate a local economic impact of more than $1 billion annually and create 8,000 jobs by 2030

Health Care Challenges

Nevada is currently unable to meet the health care needs of its citizens. The growing population will require more physicians. Las Vegas is the largest U.S. metropolitan area without an M.D.-granting (allopathic) medical school.¹

• Nevada ranks 48th in the U.S. for number of primary care physicians per 100,000 population.²

• Nevada’s existing residencies cover less than half of medical specialties.

• Nevada lacks key liver and pancreas transplant programs.

• Nevada is last among all 50 states in the number of psychiatrists per 100,000 population.³

• Nevada loses more than $2 billion in health care spending annually to neighboring states.⁴

Business Plan

The UNLV School of Medicine will have an inaugural class of 60 students starting in Fall 2017. Public state money will represent only 18 percent of the school’s funding sources when it is fully built out. Strategic partnerships, start-up money from the state, philanthropy, clinical services, research grants, and tuition will combine to fund the UNLV School of Medicine.

Ten-year goals include:

• Producing 100 new physicians each year who will remain in Nevada

• Raising $350 million in philanthropic support

• Generating $4 of non-state revenue for every $1 of state money

Existing and future assets include:

The UNLV School of Medicine will leverage significant existing health care assets within academic, public, and private sectors.

• UNLV’s schools of Allied Health Sciences, Community Health Sciences, Dental Medicine, Life Sciences, and Nursing

• Academic Health Center – infrastructure for clinical and scientific research

• Additional clinical research trials for Southern Nevadans

• More state-of-the-art medical technology and equipment

To maximize its value to the community and provide an outstanding foundation for educating medical students, the UNLV School of Medicine intends to partner with:

• Local and regional hospitals

• Veteran’s Administration Southern Nevada Healthcare System

• Cleveland Clinic/Lou Ruvo Center for Brain Health

• Nevada System of Higher Education institutions

• Nevada State Health Division

¹. Tripp Umbach Analysis – 2013 Economic Impact of Medical Education Expansion in Nevada
². Population estimates are from the U.S. Census Bureau (July 2014) and physician data are from the 2013 AAMC State Physician Workforce Data Book
³. Health Workforce in Nevada (2013)
Economic Impact

Beyond improving access to high-quality healthcare in the Southern Nevada region, the UNLV School of Medicine will stimulate the economy.

Estimated long-term economic impacts by 2030 include:

- A total of 8,000 jobs
- Annual economic impact of $1.2 billion
- Approximately $60 million in annual revenue for the state of Nevada

Financing

UNLV has requested nearly $27 million in the 2016/2017 biennium state budget for the new UNLV School of Medicine. State money will be used for start-up and operational costs, such as faculty, staff, lab equipment, information infrastructure, insurance, and maintenance. Funds for capital and academic program development will come from private donations and other revenue sources.

Why a 2017 Start Date?

Fall of 2017 is the earliest the UNLV School of Medicine can launch its inaugural class based on the accreditation process recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

- The sooner the UNLV School of Medicine starts classes, the sooner the school can develop more doctors and specialists who will be trained to serve Nevadans.
- Postponing the 2017 inaugural class will delay positive financial impact and economic diversification for the state.
- A delay in launching the UNLV School of Medicine will create doubt and confusion among potential donors.
- Any delay of a Fall 2017 inaugural class for the UNLV School of Medicine could be seen as a lack of commitment to the school and endanger the ongoing accreditation process.
- The University California, Riverside originally planned to launch its school of medicine in 2008, but the accreditation agency delayed the opening five years because the California Legislature was unable to dedicate adequate state funds.

Ten-Year Projected Funding Sources (from start of first classes)

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