6.2.5 Affiliated Appointments

Affiliated appointments are for those faculty members who are employed by an institution that has a formal UTHSC affiliation but who devote a portion of their effort to service on the UTHSC faculty, generally without monetary compensation from UTHSC. Appointees receive group insurance, retirement plans, or other standard benefits through the affiliated institution. Appointees are not eligible for tenure (Section 4.5). Appointees are assigned standard faculty rank based on their qualifications and experience (Section 6.1). If a staff member of an affiliated institution is awarded a faculty appointment at UTHSC, that individual is responsible to the Chair of the appointing department for his or her activities as a faculty member in that department, whether those activities are carried out in the affiliated institution or elsewhere. Each affiliated faculty member is evaluated and reappointed every three years relative to his or her continuing role in the department. If the last faculty appointment is not renewed, the appointment will be discontinued at the end of the appointment term.

6.2.6 Volunteer Appointments

The University of Tennessee Health Science Center has had a strong and long established tradition of volunteer faculty participation in its missions. Indeed, volunteer faculty play a major role in educating our students in their chosen professions. UTHSC recognizes that our students would be less proficient in their chosen field without exposure to these practicing clinicians. Volunteer appointments are for faculty members who devote a portion of their effort to serve on the UTHSC faculty without monetary compensation or benefits from UTHSC or from an affiliated institution. If an individual is awarded a volunteer faculty appointment at UTHSC, that individual is responsible to the Chair of the appointing department for his or her activities as a faculty member in that department. Volunteer faculty are not eligible for tenure, but are eligible for appointment and promotion to the various faculty ranks with the prefix of “Clinical” for those with a professional degree or “Adjunct” for those not eligible to treat patients (e.g., Clinical Associate Professor or Adjunct Associate Professor). Appointments to the Volunteer faculty will be evaluated for renewal no less frequently than every 3 years. A Volunteer faculty appointment that is not renewed within 3 years after being granted is deemed terminated without the need for notice or other action by UTHSC.