210-6 **Instructions to Review Committees That Advise on Actions Concerning the Health Sciences Clinical Professor Series**

a. The policies and procedures set forth in APM - 210-1-a, -b, -c, and -e shall govern the committee in the confidential conduct of its review and in the preparation of its report. The instructions below apply to review committees for actions concerning appointees in the Health Sciences Clinical Professor series. The committee should refer to APM - 278 for policy on the Health Sciences Clinical Professor series.

b. The review committee shall evaluate the candidate with respect to proposed rank and duties, considering the record of the candidate’s performance in (1) teaching (2) professional competence and activity (3) research and/or creative activity, and (4) University and public service. Activities in items (3) and (4) are derived from their primary responsibilities in clinical teaching and professional service activities (see APM - 278-4 and -10) and thus shall be appropriately weighted and broadly defined to take into account the primary emphasis on clinical teaching and patient care services. Candidates for promotion should demonstrate substantial growth and accomplishment in their area of expertise.

The Department Chair is responsible for documenting the faculty member’s division of effort among the four areas of activity; this written document shall be
shared with the faculty member. The Chair should also indicate the appropriateness of this division to the position that the individual fills in the department, school, or clinical teaching faculty.

Appointees in the Health Sciences Clinical Professor series shall be evaluated in relation to the nature and time commitments of their University assignments. Faculty with part-time appointments are expected to show the same quality of performance as full-time appointees, but the amount of activity may be less.

Clinical teaching, professional activity, and research/creative activity may differ from standard professorial activities in the University, and may therefore be evaluated on the basis of professional competence, intellectual contribution, and originality.

c. Letters of evaluation from internal reviewers are required for health care professionals in the Health Sciences Clinical Professor series being considered for appointment or promotion to the Associate Professor or Professor ranks, as well as for advancement to Step VI or to Above Scale status. Although letters of evaluation from external reviewers may not be required for faculty in the Health Sciences Clinical Professor series who are being considered for appointment or promotion to the Associate Professor or Professor ranks, they may be useful to document other health care professionals’ recognition of the candidate’s achievement in professional competence and activity. Letters of evaluation are
required from external reviewers and from advanced clinical students and former students now in academic positions or clinical practice for appointment or advancement to Step VI and to Above Scale status for all faculty in the Health Sciences Clinical Professor series. If adequate information is not included in the materials sent forward by the chair, it is the review committee’s responsibility to request such information through the Chancellor.

If, in assessing all evidence obtained, the candidate fails to meet the criteria set forth below, the committee should recommend accordingly. If, on the other hand there is evidence of unusual achievement and exceptional promise of continued growth, the committee should not hesitate to endorse a recommendation for accelerated advancement.

The criteria set forth below are intended to serve as guidelines for the review committee in judging the candidate, not as boundaries for the elements of performance that may be considered. See section 210-6-d below for more details on reviews for advancement to Health Sciences Clinical Professor Step VI and for Above Scale status.
(1) **Teaching**

Teaching is a required duty of Health Sciences Clinical Professor series faculty. Before making an initial appointment to this series, the review committee should evaluate the candidate’s potential to be an effective teacher and mentor. Evidence of excellence in clinical teaching is essential for advancement in this series. Teaching must include registered University of California students and/or University interns, residents, fellows, and postdoctoral scholars. Normally teaching in the clinical setting comprises intensive tutorial instruction, carried on amid the demands of patient care and usually characterized by multiple demands on the teacher to cope with unpredictably varied problems, patient needs, and the necessity of preparing the students to exercise judgment and/or take action. Nevertheless, the criteria suggested for evaluating teaching in the Professor series are applicable to Health Sciences Clinical Professor series faculty:

In judging the effectiveness of a candidate’s teaching,

the committee should consider such points as the following:

the candidate’s command of the subject; continuous growth in the subject field; ability to organize material and to present it with force and logic; capacity to awaken in students an awareness of the relationship of the subject to other fields of knowledge; fostering of student independence and capability to reason;
In addition, the clinical teacher should be successful in applying knowledge of basic health science and clinical procedures to the diagnosis, treatment, and care of a patient that will assure the best educational opportunity for the student, and will also provide the highest quality care for the patient. Dossiers for advancement and promotion normally will include evaluations and comments solicited from students and trainees.

For initial appointment to the Health Sciences Assistant Clinical Professor title, the candidate may have a record of active teaching of health sciences professional students, graduate students, residents, postdoctoral scholars,
fellows, and/or continuing education students. Appointments may also be made based on the promise of teaching excellence when appropriate.

For appointment or promotion to the Health Sciences Associate Clinical Professor title, demonstrated excellence in teaching and mentoring is essential. Evidence typically includes teaching evaluations or the receipt of teaching awards. Other evidence may include invitations to present Grand Rounds, seminars, lectures, or courses at the University of California or at other institutions, by participation in residency review committees, programs sponsored by professional organizations, recertification courses or workshops, peer evaluation, or documentation of activity as a role model or mentor.

For appointment or promotion to the Health Sciences Clinical Professor title, the appointee should be recognized by sustained or continued excellence as a clinical teacher and/or mentor. Evidence typically includes teaching evaluations or the receipt of teaching awards. Other evidence may include invitations to present Grand Rounds, seminars, lectures, or courses at the University of California or at other institutions, by participation in residency review committees, programs sponsored by professional programs, recertification courses or workshops, peer evaluation, or documentation of activity as a role model or mentor.
(2) **Professional Competence and Activity**

The evaluation of professional competence and activity generally focuses on clinical expertise or achievement and the quality of patient care. A demonstrated distinction in the special competencies appropriate to the field and its characteristic activities should be recognized as a criterion for appointment or promotion. The candidate’s professional activities should be reviewed for evidence of achievement, leadership, and/or demonstrated progress in the development or utilization of new approaches and techniques for the solution of professional problems. The review committee should judge the significance and quantity of clinical achievement and contribution to the profession. In many cases, evidence of clinical achievement will be testimonial in nature. An individual’s role in the organization or direction of training programs for health professionals and the supervision of health care facilities and operations may provide evidence of exemplary professional activity; in decisions bearing on academic advancement, these activities should be recognized as important contributions to the mission of the University.

For an initial appointment to the rank of Health Sciences Assistant Clinical Professor, the committee should ascertain the present capabilities of the candidate, as well as the likelihood that the candidate will be a competent teacher, develop an excellent professional practice, and have the potential to
make contributions to the clinical activities of the academic department and to the mission of the University.

In addition to proven excellence in teaching and/or mentoring, creative contributions, and meritorious service, a candidate for appointment or promotion to the rank of Health Sciences Associate Clinical Professor or Health Sciences Clinical Professor in this series should show evidence of distinguished clinical and professional expertise. Such evidence may include, but is not limited to, evaluations that demonstrate:

- provision of high-quality patient care
- a high level of competence in a clinical specialty
- expanded breadth of clinical responsibilities
- significant participation in the activities of clinical and/or professional groups
- reputation as an outstanding referral health-care provider
- effective development, expansion, or administration of a clinical service; or
- recognition or certification by a professional group.
(3) **Research and/or Creative Activity**

The review committee should evaluate research and creative activity from the perspective that these activities are generally derived from clinical teaching and professional service activities. Accomplishments in research and/or creative activity should be evaluated in the context of the candidate’s academic responsibilities and the time available for creative activity.

Candidates in this series may be involved in clinical research programs; many may demonstrate creative and scholarly accomplishments in other ways that are unique to the specific discipline and duties. Campus guidelines may include separate requirements or expectations for various schools or departments.

In order to be appointed or promoted to the Associate Professor or Professor rank in this series, the individual’s record must demonstrate creative contributions to academic, research/creative activity, or administrative activities. This criterion can be satisfied by evidence of substantive contributions, some examples of which include, but are not limited to, the following:

- development of or contributions to original materials in handouts or lectures
• development of or contributions to informational brochures with regard to the individual’s professional field
• lectures, original educational materials, or teaching files
• participation in platform or poster presentations at local, regional, or national meetings
• development of or contributions to educational curricula
• development of or contributions to administration of a teaching program
• participation in the advancement of professional education
• participation in research, not necessarily as primary or independent investigator (in some cases, the individual’s participation in research may be sufficiently substantial to warrant a reduced breadth of clinical responsibilities)
• first, senior, or collaborative authorship of peer-reviewed research papers
• publication of case reports or clinical reviews
• development of or contributions to administration (supervision) of a clinical service or health care facility
• development of or contributions to clinical guidelines or pathways
• development of or contributions to quality improvement programs
• development of or contributions to medical or other disciplinary information systems
• participation in the advancement of university professional practice programs

• development of or contributions to community-oriented programs

• development of or contributions to community outreach or informational programs

(4) University and Public Service

The review committee should evaluate both the amount and the quality of service by the candidate to the department, the school, the campus, the University, and the public, with particular attention paid to service which is directly related to the candidate’s professional expertise and achievement. There may be overlap between these guidelines for service and other criteria for evaluation (professional activity and research and/or creative activity). However, the review committee should assess the evidence from the perspective of the candidate’s unique contributions to the discipline and assign the evidence to the appropriate category. Campus guidelines may include separate requirements or expectations for various schools or departments.

Evidence of achievement in this area is demonstrated by participation in University, campus, school, department, and hospital or clinic committees; election to office or other service to professional, scholarly, scientific,
educational, and governmental agencies and organizations, and service to the community and general public which relates to the candidate’s professional expertise in health, education, research and creative activity, and practice.

For initial appointment to the Health Sciences Assistant Clinical Professor rank, the candidate should be evaluated for the likelihood of participation in department activities and the potential for service to the University.

For appointment or promotion to the Health Sciences Associate Clinical Professor rank, University and public service may be demonstrated by active participation on committees or task forces within the program, department, school, campus, or University; or by service to local, regional, state, national, or international organizations through education, consultation, or other roles.

For appointment or promotion to the Health Sciences Clinical Professor rank, service may be demonstrated by awards from the University, or local, regional, national, or international organizations; or appointment to administrative positions within the University such as program director, residency director, or chair of a committee. Service as officer or committee chair in professional and scientific organizations or on editorial boards of professional or scientific organizations is also considered.
d. Advancement to Health Sciences Clinical Professor, Step VI and Above Scale Status

(1) Advancement to Step VI

The normal period of service is three years in each of the first four steps. Service at Step V may be of indefinite duration. Advancement to Step VI usually will not occur before at least three years of service at Step V; it involves an overall career review and may be granted on evidence of sustained and continuing excellence in the following categories: (1) teaching, (2) professional competence and activity, (3) scholarly and/or creative achievement, and (4) service. Above and beyond that, great distinction in academic health sciences, recognized at least regionally, will be required in teaching and professional competence and activity. Service at Step VI or higher may be of indefinite duration. Advancement from Step VI to Step VII, from Step VII to Step VIII, and from Step VIII to Step IX usually will not occur before at least three years of service at the lower step, and will only be granted on evidence of continuing achievement at the level for advancement to Step VI.
(2) Advancement to Above Scale Status

Advancement to Above Scale status involves an overall career review and is reserved only for the most highly distinguished faculty (1) whose work of sustained and continuing excellence has attained at least national recognition and broad acclaim reflective of its significant impact; (2) whose University teaching performance is excellent; and (3) whose service is highly meritorious. Except in rare and compelling cases, advancement will not occur after less than four years at Step IX. Moreover, mere length of service and continued good performance at Step IX is not justification for further salary advancement. There must be demonstration of additional merit and distinction beyond the performance on which advancement to Step IX was based. A further merit increase in salary for a faculty member already serving at an Above Scale salary level must be justified by new evidence of merit and distinction. Continued good service is not an adequate justification. Intervals between such salary increases may be indefinite, and only in the most superior cases where there is strong and compelling evidence will increases at shorter intervals be approved.
210-24 **Authority**

The responsibility to nominate and the authority to appoint review committees shall be in accordance with the stipulations set forth in the Academic Personnel Manual Sections concerning the respective title series.