

Las Vegas Academic Medical District

Governor Sisolak has committed one of his five dedicated bill draft requests to create the Las Vegas Academic Medical District in the upcoming legislative session.

What is an Academic Medical District?

- An academic medical district is distinguished from the medical district itself by having a teaching hospital and medical school within the district, among other things. Currently, the Las Vegas Medical District focuses on health care – an Academic Medical District aims to build upon and speed up that vision with a broader focus on academics, innovation and community.

What are the benefits of an Academic Medical District?

- Academic medical districts improve patient outcomes. Medical schools and teaching hospitals bolster the research/knowledge centers in the community, leading to innovation and specialization within our current medical system. An Academic Medical District would bring new, world-class services to Nevada by offering specialized education and new programs to help our current service providers, hospitals and educators provide needed services currently not offered in Nevada.
- The creation of an Academic Medical District would drive major economic development, increased spending and funding into Nevada. Medical education districts across the country contribute billions of dollars to their local economies and help grow healthcare and biotechnology industries.
- With more research, education and services being offered in-state, less residents will be forced to go out of state seeking these services or education and more people will come into Las Vegas to see specialists and surgeons.
- The Academic Medical District will create new, high-paying jobs for Nevadans. According to the Association of American Medical Colleges, on average, every new job created at an academic medical center (medical schools and teaching hospitals) will pay \$67,000 annually, providing a living wage for Nevada families.
- The education in an educational medical district extends beyond post-secondary education and includes partnerships with local public schools, K-12.

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