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**Will Whiting Named Associate Vice Chancellor
for UAMS Office of Institutional Advancement**

LITTLE ROCK — Will Whiting has joined the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) as associate vice chancellor for the Office of Institutional Advancement.

Whiting has extensive experience in fundraising, government affairs and external relations. His previous position was executive director of development at the University of Texas at Austin, where he managed a team responsible for raising \$50 million annually. At Texas, he developed and implemented a principal gifts program allowing the school to double their million-dollar gifts year over year, and he was instrumental in building out the university's international advancement operation.

Whiting has worked in advancement positions at the University of Tennessee and the University of Arkansas. He is a former vice president for public affairs and advocacy at the Little Rock Chamber of Commerce and held positions at the William J. Clinton Foundation. He also is a former registered lobbyist who worked with legislators to advance public policy in education, health care, economic development and public safety.

“Will’s extensive background in higher education and health care philanthropy makes him an excellent fit for this role,” said John Erck, vice chancellor for Institutional Advancement. “He has deep connections in the state, and I know he will bring an innovative and professional approach to the important work we do for all Arkansans.”

Whiting, who grew up in Arkansas, holds undergraduate and graduate degrees from the UA System.

UAMS is the state's only health sciences university, with colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Health Professions and Public Health; a graduate school; hospital; a main campus in Little Rock; a Northwest Arkansas regional campus in Fayetteville; a statewide network of regional campuses; and seven institutes: the Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute, Jackson T. Stephens Spine & Neurosciences Institute, Harvey & Bernice Jones Eye Institute, Psychiatric Research Institute, Donald W.

Reynolds Institute on Aging, Translational Research Institute and Institute for Digital Health & Innovation. UAMS includes UAMS Health, a statewide health system that encompasses all of UAMS' clinical enterprise including its hospital, regional clinics and clinics it operates or staffs in cooperation with other providers. UAMS is the only adult Level 1 trauma center in the state. *U.S. News & World Report* recognized UAMS Medical Center as a Best Hospital for 2021-22; ranked its ear, nose and throat program among the top 50 nationwide for the third year; and named five areas as high performing — colon cancer surgery, diabetes, hip replacement, knee replacement and stroke. *Forbes* magazine ranked UAMS as seventh in the nation on its Best Employers for Diversity list. UAMS also ranked in the top 30% nationwide on *Forbes'* Best Employers for Women list and was the only Arkansas employer included. UAMS has 2,876 students, 898 medical residents and six dental residents. It is the state's largest public employer with more than 10,000 employees, including 1,200 physicians who provide care to patients at UAMS, its regional campuses, Arkansas Children's, the VA Medical Center and Baptist Health. Visit www.uams.edu or www.uamshealth.com. Find us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#) or [Instagram](#).

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