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## UT studies med school

Feasibility study dubbed as the most significant step to date

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The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas is preparing a feasibility study on an Austin medical school.

Sources familiar with the study say the UT system, which requested the study, is having discussions with UT Southwestern about building a branch of its medical school in Austin. The feasibility study, which is under way right now, could be finished in the coming weeks and may be presented to the UT board of regents within the next few months.

The UT Board of Regents will then discuss the findings and decide what direction to take on a potential medical school. Whether those discussions take place in a public forum or behind closed doors is not yet clear.

Sources say UT officials have been discussing the possibility of a small medical school in Austin that would focus on high-end research and admit a small number of medical students.

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