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**LL.M. PROGRAM**

The Texas Medical Center (foreground) is Houston’s largest employer. Its size rivals Houston’s downtown (background), located just minutes away.

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**COURSES**

- Biotechnology & the Law
- Children’s Health & the Law
- Comparative Health Law
- Disabilities & the Law
- E-Health Law Seminar
- Elder Law
- Employee Benefits Law
- Food & Drug Law
- Fraud & Abuse
- Genetics & the Law
- Health Care Financing, Organization & Quality
- Health Law Survey
- Health Law Transactions
- Health Legislation
- Health Privacy
- HIV & the Law
- Hospital Law & Ethics
- Insurance Law
- Law & Psychiatry
- Law, Ethics & Brain Policy
- Legal Aspects of Bioethics
- Life & Health Insurance Law
- Medical Malpractice Litigation
- Medicare
- Public Health Law
- Regulation of Biomedical Research
- Regulation of Health Care Professionals
- Sexual Orientation & the Law

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