


**MEMORANDUM**

August 8, 2025

**TO:** Dr. Peter WT Pisters  
President

**FROM:** Ann Lovelady   
Associate Vice President & Chief Audit Officer *ad Interim*

**SUBJECT:** Presidential Travel and Business Entertainment Expense Audit  
(Calendar Year 2024)

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Internal Audit has completed the review of the President's Travel and Business Entertainment for the period of January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024. Our objective was to determine whether travel and entertainment expenses reimbursed to, or paid on behalf of, you or your spouse are appropriate, accurate, and in compliance with applicable institutional and UT System policies and *Rule 20205*.

We evaluated travel, business entertainment and direct billed catering expenditures for calendar year 2024. Additionally, we reviewed the expenses included in the President's Annual Report submitted to UT System. Our testing methodology included assessing the accuracy and appropriateness of expense purposes and approvals, comparing supporting documentation to reimbursed expenses and evaluating expense allowability in accordance with institutional policies and guidelines.

The travel and entertainment expenses incurred by the president and his spouse appeared appropriate, accurate, and generally complied with applicable policies. Several items considered insignificant were communicated verbally to management. Finally, the direct billed expenses related to catering were reviewed and approved as required by the Chief Business Officer (CBO).

We sincerely appreciate the courtesy and cooperation extended by the President's Office.

Our internal audit was conducted in accordance with the *Global Internal Audit Standards*. The internal audit function at MD Anderson Cancer Center is independent per the *Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards (GAGAS)* requirements for internal auditors.

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