At Western Michigan University Homer Stryker M.D. School of Medicine (WMed) the belief is that the teaching and education of research in medical school is fundamental to improving healthcare and advancing the knowledge of future practicing physicians.

The school has developed an extended research curriculum for medical students and teaches the practical development of research projects that could eventually be presented at an event organized each year to celebrate academics in research.

So it is no surprise that four months after it opened, work is already being done to develop the fourth and sixth floors of its W.E. Upjohn M.D. campus in downtown Kalamazoo for use in the expansion of its research efforts.

The WMU Board of Trustees voted Jan. 22 to allow the med school to begin the redevelopment project. Under terms of the lease before the board took action, the fourth and six floors were to remain vacant until either the University or medical
school needed the space.

The cost of the renovations and equipment will be paid by the medical school.

The new medical school encourages the development and participation of faculty research mentors who will be educating and supporting medical students throughout their time dedicated to research when new or practical approaches to medicine are sought.

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