The Federal University of Technology Akure, FUTA has been given the nod by the National Universities Commission, NUC to establish a School of Health and Health Technology. The Institution is already putting structures in place to ensure the successful take off of the new school during the next academic session with courses such as Physiology, Anatomy, Dental Technology and Optometry.

Speaking on the development the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Adebiyi Daramola said the new school which is in fulfillment of the vision of the founding fathers of the Institution will eventually lead to the establishment of a medical school and teaching hospital.

“We’ve received the nod to set up Departments of Anatomy and Physiology having previously established a Department of Biochemistry. So, we are starting
with degrees in the basic medical sciences and ultimately end up with a teaching hospital. These two new Departments are precursors of a Medical School because we already have Bio-Chemistry in the School of Sciences. Besides, we cannot have health related courses without having the core, which is medicine. You can't have optometry and other ancillary courses without a Teaching Hospital which is at the core. Some of the courses we are starting with are basic medical sciences. And if you are familiar with the training of medical doctors, they start with what is called basic medical sciences. It is when they are well grounded in these, that they go to the clinical,” the Vice-Chancellor said. The Vice-Chancellor said the new school will have the imprimatur of excellence which FUTA is known for.

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