

Graduate Medical Education Policy

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Policy Title: Closures and Reductions

Purpose: To describe the methods of Closures and Reductions for residents and fellows.

Closures and Reductions

- 1. OSU-CHS and participating Institutions must inform the GMEC, DIO, and the residents/fellows of affected program(s) as soon as possible when the institution or a participating facility intends to reduce the size of or close one or more programs, or when the OSU-CHS or a participating Institution intends to close.
- 2. OSU-CHS or participating Institution(s) must either allow residents already in the program(s) to complete their education or make every effort to assist the residents affected in enrolling in an ACGME-accredited program(s) in which they can continue their education. All necessary documentation including assessments, schedules of training completed, procedures satisfactory completed and any other assessments or records requested by an accepting program and/or required by ACGME will be provided.
- 3. To the greatest extent possible, OSU-CHS institutions supporting residents from programs undergoing closure will provide reimbursement agencies (e.g. CMS) with necessary information so that GME reimbursement caps can be directed to the receiving institution.
- 4. In the event of reduction of program size, residents already in the program will be allowed to complete the program, and only future positions offered in the program(s) will be reduced.
- 5. If as the result of a disaster situation a program or the institution cannot provide at least an adequate educational experience for each of its residents/fellows the OSU-CHS Policy on Disasters, Continuation of Resident Salary, Benefits, and Assignments will be followed.