

Policy Updates from the Royal College's Residency Accreditation Committee

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Inter-Institution Affiliation (IIA)

1. Program Completion IIAs

Some mandatory training must be taken in another accredited university program

2. Offsite Location IIAs

Option to conduct some mandatory training at nonaffiliated site. Defines parameters of the educational experience at offsite location

3. Satellite Program IIAs

Significant portion of training is spent at faculty/School without accredited program – accreditation is through home program

4. Conjoint (and Network) Program IIAs

Two schools collaborate to offer a single program

The committee MUST include representation from the residents in the program; if there is more than one resident in the program, at least one MUST be elected by his or her peers. B1.2.2

When there is more than one resident,

- there must be a mechanism for residents to decide who will represent them on the RPC
- It is not necessary for a formal election
- Residents should be satisfied with the process to determine their representative(s)
- The mechanism or process must be one that can be preserved and still effective even if additional residents are added to the program

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The Residency Program Committee must have a written policy governing resident safety that is specific to the discipline. B1.3.9

For programs where the centralized the PGME policy may be appropriate:

- there MUST be evidence the policy has been reviewed by the RPC
- this review MUST be reflected in the documentation

For programs with key specific safety issues,

- specific issues must be addressed in the program's safety policy
- need a unique policy, OR a comprehensive addendum to the PGME policy

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There must be a statement of the overall goals of the program. B2.1
There must be clearly defined objectives for each of the CanMEDS competencies. B2.2

There must be an overall statement which is different than the Royal College OTR (B2.1)

The goals and objectives of the program must address each of the CanMEDS roles for residents in the program (B2.2)

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Documentation updates

- Templates for mandated internal reviews and progress reports
- PSQ updates with CanMEDS 2015 content starting July 1, 2017
- New guidelines on missed deadlines
- Form for Program Director Changes

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AFC Program Updates

- No longer have the accreditation status "Follow-Up Required Via Video Teleconference"
- Mandated internal reviews for programs that were inactive at the time of an accreditation survey