



Item: AS: A-1

Tuesday, January 30, 2024

**SUBJECT: Approval of the Graduate Medical Education Report on Residencies (LCME Requirement)**

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**PROPOSED Board ACTION**

No action is necessary. This item is only informational.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Florida Atlantic University's Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine is the institutional sponsor of graduate medical education programs (i.e. residencies and fellowships) accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME). This includes the ongoing commitment to provide the necessary educational, financial, physical and human resources needed to comply with all applicable

ACGME and specialty board requirements related to these programs. The institution has appointed a Designated Institutional Official (DIO) and Graduate Medical Education Committee (GMEC) that are responsible for oversight of all programs and compliance with the ACGME institutional, common and specialty specific program requirements. As part of the accreditation process, ACGME requires that the FAU Board of Trustees receive annual reports from the DIO regarding graduate medical education programs. No action is necessary, as this is purely an informational item. The College will inform ACGME the University BOT has received these documents, so that it can be noted in the agency's records.

Additionally, Dr. Curtis Whitehair, interim dean of medicine and DIO, will give an overview of the submitted annual institutional report For GME at the Charles Schmidt College of Medicine.

**IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE**

N/A

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

N/A

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**Supporting Documentation:** Annual GME Report for 2022-2023

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# Annual Institutional Review 2022-2023: Executive Summary for the FAU Board of Trustees

## Background

The Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) requires that each Sponsoring Institution’s Graduate Medical Education Committee (GMEC) perform an annual institutional review (AIR) to demonstrate its oversight of institutional accreditation. The Designated Institutional Official (DIO) must annually submit a written executive summary of the AIR to the Sponsoring Institution’s Governing Body, including a summary of institutional performance indicators and a list of action plans and performance monitoring procedures resulting from the AIR.

## Annual Review of Institutional Performance Indicators

The GMEC conducted its annual review of accredited programs for the 2022-2023 academic year. The DIO (Dr. Whitehair) presented a detailed summary of 4 performance indicators: the most recent ACGME Institutional Letter of Notification, 2023 Program Accreditation Status and Citations, 2023 ACGME Surveys of Residents & Core Faculty, and 2022-23 Annual Program Evaluation Indicators.

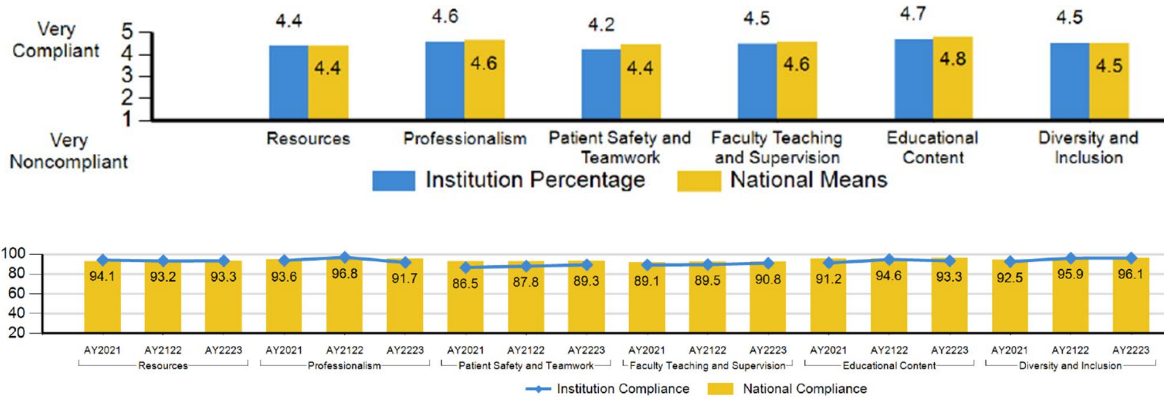
1. The most recent Institutional Letter of Notification was received on 5/11/23 with effective date of 5/2/23. The ACGME Institutional Review Committee commended the institution “for its demonstrated substantial compliance with the ACGME’s Institutional Requirements without any new citations.”
2. The table below summarizes the accreditation status and citations of FAU’s current GME programs.

<b>Program</b>	<b>Accreditation Status*</b>	<b>Citations</b>	<b>Next Review</b>
Sponsoring Institution	Continued 5/2/23	0	Annual
Internal Medicine	Continued 1/20/23	0	Annual
General Surgery	Continued 1/4/23	0	Annual
Emergency Medicine	Continued 1/12/23	0	Annual
Psychiatry	Continued 2/10/23	0	Annual
Neurology	Continued 6/22/23	12	Annual
Cardiovascular Diseases	Continued 1/20/23	0	Annual
Geriatric Medicine	Continued 1/20/23	0	Annual
Hospice-Palliative Medicine	Continued 1/20/23	0	Annual
Vascular Surgery	Continued w/o outcomes 9/15/22	1	Annual
Deep Brain Stimulation	Initial 1/3/23	1	Annual

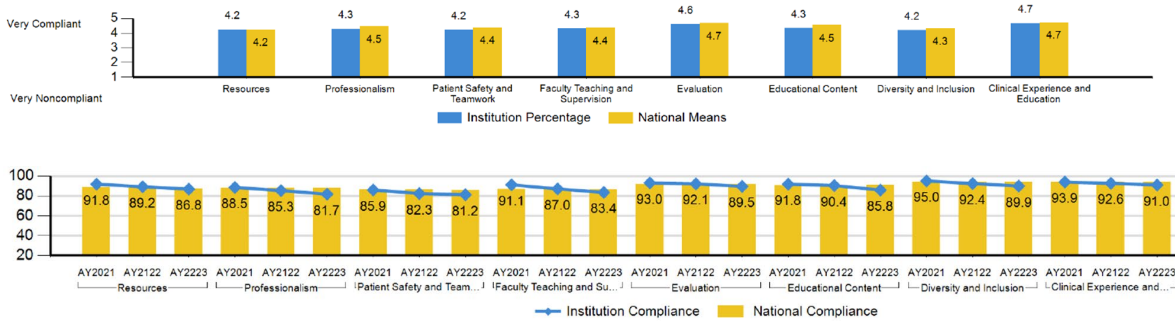
Continued Accreditation is subject to annual renewal with extension, additional or removal of citations based upon a dashboard of metrics, until the scheduled 10-year self-study and site visit.

3. The ACGME surveyed core faculty in the six areas of Resources, Professionalism, Patient Safety and Teamwork, Faculty Teaching and Supervision, Educational Content, and Diversity

and Inclusion. This survey conducted between February and April 2023 showed compliance trends declined slightly or below national averages in all domains .



During the same time period, residents and fellows were surveyed in the eight areas of Resources, Professionalism, Patient Safety and Teamwork, Faculty Teaching and Supervision, Evaluation, Educational Content, Diversity and Inclusion and Clinical Experience and Education. Slight compliance percentage decline was noted in all areas but remained at or slightly above the national mean in all areas. Results for the resident/fellow surveys for Hospice and Palliative Medicine, Geriatric Medicine, and Vascular Surgery were not provided, as they have fewer than four trainees.



The findings drive the Institutional Action Plans in the following areas for the 2023-2024 academic year:

- Continuation of the GMCE subcommittees in Research Mentoring, Quality Improvement and Patient Safety, and Well-being
- Faculty and trainee development in professionalism, teaching, and giving feedback.
- GME Committee approved recommendation to conduct a Special Review of the Neurology Residency Program.

Program Directors are reviewing their program-specific ratings and feedback to form individualized action plans as well as developing institution-wide solutions.

4. Each residency or fellowship program was required by the ACGME to conduct an Annual Program Evaluation (APE) including 23 indicators approved by the GMCE. The GMCE reviewed APE trends across programs. The data showed overall compliance with accreditation standards with continued recruitment of additional core faculty and stable

curriculums. Scholarly activity by residents and GME faculty is gradually increasing but has not fully returned to pre-pandemic volumes. Of a total of 46 residents and fellows completing training, 41% entered subspecialty fellowship training, and 3 graduates were hired into FAU Clinical sites/hospitals.

### **Institutional Action Plans and Monitoring Procedures**

Four institutional action plans were monitored by the GMEC during 2022-23.

1. **Outcomes:** The Outcomes and Monitoring Subcommittee (OMS) formed in 2020 and continued to meet in the 22-23 academic year. The OMS made recommendations for performance indicators based on data trends from the prior 21-22 year. Trends identified from review of the programs' Annual Performance Evaluations resulted in the recommendation for a Special Review of the Neurology Residency Program. Data collected monthly will determine future action plans and indications for special monitoring or internal review.
2. **Resident/Fellow Well-Being:** The Subcommittee efforts included survey of trainees on well-being resources, tracking trends in the ACGME national well-being surveys of faculty and trainees, and making recommendations for mitigating stressor domains in financial, emotional, vocational, or mental areas.
3. **Quality Improvement and Patient Safety:** The GMEC continues to monitor resident and fellow participation in quality and safety activities and initiatives at the clinical sites via the OMS Subcommittee reports.
4. **Resident Research Mentoring/Coordination.** The FAU GME Research Coordinator, continued in his role as part-time resource and mentor to the residents and faculty. Research initiatives such as the annual Resident/Fellow Research Showcase resumed.