



Dear ACGME Leadership,

On behalf of the undersigned emergency medicine organizations, we would like to express our appreciation for the ACGME's thoughtful approach to the proposed revisions to the Emergency Medicine Program Requirements. We recognize the significance of these decisions and the care required in their evaluation.

As we approach another residency application and recruitment season, however, we write to emphasize the urgent need for greater transparency regarding the anticipated timeline and next steps in the review process. We believe clarity is essential for residency programs, faculty, trainees, and students.

Program leaders must make strategic decisions well in advance regarding recruitment, curriculum design, faculty and time allocation, scheduling, and institutional planning. Without a clearly communicated timeline, responsible long-term planning is increasingly difficult.

Transparency is equally important for medical students as they choose a specialty and begin the residency application process. Current and future trainees deserve timely information regarding potential changes that may impact their educational experience and career planning. Continued uncertainty risks negatively affecting future recruitment into emergency medicine.

Even if additional deliberation is needed before a final determination is reached, communication regarding the anticipated process and timeline would significantly reduce uncertainty and allow programs and trainees to plan appropriately.

We respectfully request greater clarity regarding:

- The anticipated timeframe for a final determination
- Remaining steps in the review process
- Whether additional information or stakeholder input is needed

If additional data, perspectives, or engagement from the emergency medicine community would be helpful, our organizations stand ready to assist.

Thank you for your continued leadership and partnership during this important process.