Policy 1.230
Graduate Medical Education Committee

Section
Educational Administration

Subject
Combined Training, Unaccredited by the ACGME

Policy Requirements
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Policy:
The UAMS Graduate Medical Education Committee (GMEC) recognizes that the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) accredits few combined training programs. However, with the approval of the appropriate American Board of Medical Specialties and with knowledge of the appropriate Residency Review Committee, completion of combined programs may be accomplished in the College of Medicine.

Definition:
Combined specialty programs: Programs recognized by two or more separate specialty boards to provide graduate medical education in a particular combined specialty. Each combined specialty program is made up of two or three programs, accredited separately by the ACGME at the same institution (source: ACGME Glossary).

Procedure:
1. This procedure must be complete at least 4 months before the training begins.
2. The appropriate certification board and/or sub-boards must approve the training. Boards that do not approve this type of request should, at a minimum, acknowledge receipt of the request for approval.
3. Training-specific documentation will include at a minimum:
   • a block diagram for the duration of the training,
   • available selective and electives,
   • totals of research and clinical months, and
   • source of funding for each year of the program.
4. The appropriate ACGME Residency Review Committees must acknowledge the program’s enterprise of combining programs.
5. The ACGME Accreditation Data System (WebADS) will define how the resident will be listed in WebADS for each year of the program.
6. The GMEC will acknowledge that steps 2-5 have been completed.
7. All of the above documentation (2-5) must be kept in the resident’s file.