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POLICY ON RESIDENT PROGRAM SIZE REDUCTION OR CLOSURE OF A PROGRAM OR THE SPONSORING INSTITUTION

Policy Statement

This policy is designed to outline the process which will be followed by The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences and its residency programs in the case of reduction in size or closure of a residency program or closure of the sponsoring institution.

Who Needs to Know This Policy

All Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME)-accredited residency and fellowship programs sponsored by the GW School of Medicine and Health Sciences (SMHS)

Policy Contact

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Who Approved This Policy

Graduate Medical Education Committee (GMEC)

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Policy

1. In the event of a program closure or reduction in size, or the closure of the sponsoring institution, the George Washington University (GWU) School of Medicine and Health Sciences (SMHS) will make every effort to allow residents already in the program to complete their education.
2. The residents will be notified as early as possible regarding program closure or reduction in size.
3. The GWU SMHS will inform the Graduate Medical Education Committee (GMEC) and the Designated Institutional Official (DIO) and the residents as soon as possible should the sponsoring institution intend to close.
4. If the GWU SMHS is unable to allow the residents to complete the program, every effort will be made in assisting the residents in enrolling in an ACGME accredited program in which they can continue their education.