Purpose

In compliance with ACGME requirements for pain medicine programs, sponsoring institutions must have policies which address the educational resources committed to pain medicine training programs and to ensure cooperation of all involved disciplines.

Procedure

It is the policy of the UT Southwestern GME Committee that appropriate and fair processes govern the allocation of resources to GME programs in which there is similarity or overlap of educational mission.

Monitoring and compliance

The program will perform annual reviews of program effectiveness. The Designated Institutional Official (DIO) and the GME Committee (GMEC) will monitor educational resources committed to pain medicine program through the GME office review of programs Annual Review meeting minutes or reports, the Internal Review process, and the Annual Survey of Residents’ Educational and Clinical Experiences.

If difficulties in the distribution of resources committed to the pain medicine program are identified, the DIO will meet with the Program Director of the pain medicine program to assess the distribution and to recommend corrective action. The DIO will report these findings to the GMEC.