Policy Title: Reduction in Program Size or Program/Institution Closure

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PURPOSE
In the event that a decision is reached to reduce the size of a residency program or close, a residency program, the Graduate Medical Education Committee, the Designated Institutional Official, and all residents in training will be notified as soon as possible.

PROCEDURE
1. The GMEC and DIO shall oversee all processes relating to reductions and closures of individual GME programs, major participating sites, and the Sponsoring Institution.

2. The program director will notify in writing any residents that will be affected by reductions in program size or program/institution closure. In addition, the program director and DIO will jointly notify the appropriate accrediting board (e.g. ACGME RRC, ABOG, and TMB) and participating training sites.

3. An attempt will be made to reduce the number of positions over time so currently enrolled residents can complete their training.

4. If item 2 is not possible, the training program director will make a good faith effort to assist affected residents in enrolling in an ACGME-accredited program in which they can continue their education.