

Eligibility FAQs for Specialties with a Preliminary Year

Specialty	FAQ Language	Non-FAQ Language
Anesthesiology	<p><i>Are individuals who completed a broad-based clinical year in an AOA-approved program eligible to apply to ACGME-accredited anesthesiology programs?</i> [Program Requirement: III.A.1.]</p> <p>The RRC understands that during this 2015-2017 transition, core programs which require a pre-requisite year may wish to consider applicants in AOA accredited programs that are not yet pre-accredited or accredited by the ACGME. Core programs will not jeopardize their accreditation status if they accept these individuals. Programs should check with the American Board of Anesthesiology (ABA) and/or the American Osteopathic Board of Anesthesiology (AOBA) regarding certification eligibility.</p>	
Dermatology	<p><i>Are individuals who completed a broad based clinical year in an American Osteopathic Association (AOA)-approved program eligible to apply to ACGME-accredited dermatology programs?</i> [Program Requirement: III.A.1.]</p> <p>The Review Committee understands that during the transition period to a single accreditation system, programs may wish to consider applicants from AOA-approved programs that are not yet pre-accredited or accredited by the ACGME. Core programs will not jeopardize their accreditation status if they accept such applicants. Applicants should check with the appropriate board regarding certification eligibility.</p>	

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Diagnostic Radiology		<p>A document titled “Radiology Eligibility Considerations” is posted to the RC webpage. The excerpt below addresses eligibility to enter a diagnostic radiology residency:</p> <p>Eligibility for R1 class July 1, 2016 The Review Committee announced in 2015 that radiology programs with matched residents whose prerequisite clinical year education did not meet the 2016 clinical year eligibility criteria could accept these individuals without consequence. This was allowed due to the 2015 match occurring prior to AOA programs applying for pre-accreditation in the transition to a single GME accreditation system. Other individual exceptions were also granted.</p> <p>AOA Consideration The Review Committee understands that during the period of the formal transition to a single GME accreditation system, program directors may wish to consider applicants from AOA-approved programs that are not yet pre-accredited or accredited by the ACGME. As such, the Committee will allow radiology programs that accept candidates who completed an AOA-approved clinical year to do so without consequence through the end of the transition period on June 30, 2020.</p> <p>Eligibility for R1 class July 1, 2017 and beyond Other than residents with previous AOA training, all residents entering ACGME-accredited radiology residency programs must be compliant with the 2016 clinical year eligibility requirements as stated.</p>

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Medical Genetics and Genomics	<p><i>Are individuals who completed a broad-based clinical year in an AOA-approved program eligible to apply to ACGME-accredited medical genetics and genomics programs?</i> [Program Requirement: III.A.1.]</p> <p>The Review Committee understands that during the transition to a single accreditation system, programs may wish to consider applicants from AOA-approved programs that are not yet pre-accredited or accredited by the ACGME. Core programs will not jeopardize their accreditation status if they accept such applicants. Applicants must check with the ABMGG regarding certification eligibility.</p>	
Nuclear Medicine	<p><i>As AOA-approved programs transition to ACGME accreditation, are there any considerations for applicants who have previously completed AOA-approved training?</i> [Program Requirement: III.A.1.c)]</p> <p>The Review Committee understands that during the transition to a single accreditation system, nuclear medicine programs may wish to consider NM1 applicants who have completed one year of graduate medical education in an AOA-approved program. Nuclear medicine programs will not jeopardize their accreditation status if they accept these applicants. All programs should check with the American Board of Nuclear Medicine (ABNM) and/or the American Osteopathic Board of Nuclear Medicine (AOBNM) regarding certification eligibility.</p>	

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Ophthalmology	<p><i>Are individuals who completed a broad-based clinical year in an AOA-approved program eligible to apply to ACGME-accredited ophthalmology programs?</i> <i>[Program Requirement: III.A.1.]</i></p> <p>The Review Committee understands that during the transition to a single accreditation system, programs may wish to consider applicants from AOA-approved programs that are not yet pre-accredited or accredited by the ACGME. Core programs will not jeopardize their accreditation status if they accept such applicants. Applicants should check with the American Board of Ophthalmology (ABO) and/or the American Osteopathic Board of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology (AOBOO) regarding certification eligibility.</p>	
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation	<p><i>Are individuals who completed a traditional rotating osteopathic internship in an AOA-approved program eligible to apply to ACGME-accredited physical medicine and rehabilitation programs?</i> <i>[Program Requirement: III.A.1]</i></p> <p>The Review Committee understands that during the transition period to a single accreditation system, programs may wish to consider applicants from AOA-approved programs that are not yet pre-accredited or accredited by the ACGME. Core programs will not jeopardize their accreditation status if they accept such applicants. Applicants should check with the ABPMR and/or the American Osteopathic Board of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (AOBPMR) regarding certification eligibility.</p>	

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Preventive Medicine	<p><i>Are individuals who completed a broad-based clinical year in an American Osteopathic Association (AOA)-approved program eligible to apply to ACGME-accredited preventive medicine programs?</i> <i>[Program Requirement: III.A.1.]</i></p> <p>The Review Committee understands that during the transition to a single GME accreditation system, programs may wish to consider applicants currently enrolled in an AOA-approved prerequisite program that is not yet pre-accredited or accredited by the ACGME. A core program will not jeopardize its accreditation status if it accepts such individuals. Programs should check with the ABPM and/or the AOA regarding certification eligibility.</p>	
Radiation Oncology	<p><i>Are individuals who completed a traditional rotating osteopathic internship in an AOA-approved program eligible to apply to ACGME-accredited radiation oncology programs?</i> <i>[Program Requirement: III.A.1]</i></p> <p>The Review Committee understands that during the transition to a single accreditation system, programs may wish to consider applicants from AOA-approved programs that are not yet pre-accredited or accredited by the ACGME. Core programs will not jeopardize their accreditation status if they accept such applicants. Applicants should check with the American Board of Radiology (ABR) and/or the American Osteopathic Board of Radiology (AOBR) regarding certification eligibility.</p>	