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Dear Members of the Graduate Medical Education Community,

The potential implications of the recently announced changes to immigration policy have caused significant consternation within the graduate medical education community.

The ACGME leadership is working with the leadership of the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates, the Association of American Medical Colleges, and other organizations to understand the specific dimensions of the policies announced, and the implications for our current residents and potential future residents.

In the meantime, we ask that you pay particular attention to the well-being of our current residents who are from other countries, and understand the anxiety that may develop, regardless of their country of origin. Those with family outside the United States may be particularly concerned. These physicians may require heightened support, and more overt efforts to demonstrate that support.

As we gain understanding of these new policies and their implications, we will share that knowledge with you on ACGME.org and our Twitter feed.

Sincerely,

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