

MATERIALS TO BE SUBMITTED: Request to ADD a Clinical Base Year to an existing 3-year accredited residency

- **Please complete the Program Information Form (PIF) section that addresses the Clinical Base Year (the PIF may be downloaded from the ACGME website).**
- **Provide specific goals and objectives for each block rotation and an explanation of assessment tools that will be utilized.**
- **Provide an explanation of how residents will evaluate these experiences as well as supervising faculty members.**
- **Include a description of both clinical and didactic experiences that will be provided (lectures, conferences, grand rounds, journal clubs)**
- **Provide a one-page CV for each of the key supervising faculty**
- **Please clarify the role of your anesthesia resident during assignments to the specified services identified in your letter.**

**Information about
Anesthesiology Clinical Base Year
ACGME RRC Program Requirements 7/08**

- 1) Definition of Clinical Base Year (CBY)
 - a) 12 months of 'broad education in medical disciplines relevant to the practice of anesthesiology'
 - b) capability to provide the Clinical Base Year within the same institution is desirable but not required for accreditation.

- 2) Timing of CBY
 - a) usually precedes training in clinical anesthesia
 - b) strongly recommended that the CBY be completed before the resident begins the CA-2 year
 - c) must be completed before the resident begins the CA-3 year

- 3) Routes of entry into Anesthesiology program
 - a) **Categorical program** - Resident matches into categorical program (includes CB year, approved by RRC as part of the accredited anesthesiology residency program
 - (1) Anesthesiology PD must maintain oversight for all rotations on the services that are used for the CBY and
 - (2) Anesthesiology PD must approve the rotations for individual residents
 - (3) Evaluations - each clinical service must provide written evaluation of the resident's performance at the end of the rotation

 - b) **Advanced program** - Resident matches into advanced program with separate CBY in another accredited program (eg, a Transitional Year program or a PGY-1 experience in another specialty)
 - (1) Anesthesiology PD must receive from the CBY program director the resident's written performance evaluation quarterly during the CBY
 - (2) Acceptance into the CA-1 year depends on the resident demonstrating satisfactory abilities on these written evaluations

 - c) **Transfer** - Resident begins training in a non-anesthesiology specialty, and seeks to transfer into anesthesiology
 - i) Transfer residents (a portion of residency training performed prior to enrollment in Anesthesiology program)
 - (1) Anesthesiology PD must receive written verification of previous educational experiences and a statement regarding the performance evaluation of the transferring resident prior to his/her acceptance into the program
 - (2) Anesthesiology PD must determine whether resident has successfully completed all required CB rotations, and if not, must schedule remaining rotation(s) to be completed according to timing requirements above

4) **CBY rotations:**

- a) at least 6 months must include experience in caring for inpatients in internal medicine, pediatrics, surgery, or any of the surgical specialties, obstetrics and gynecology, neurology, family medicine, or any combination of these
- b) there should be rotations in critical care and emergency medicine, with at least one month, but no more than two months, devoted to each
- c) up to one month may be taken in anesthesiology
- d) each month of training may be counted only once
- e) rotations should ensure continuity of teaching and clinical experience
- f) CBY competencies are detailed in Program Requirements