Transfer Criteria for Integrated Programs
Review Committee for Plastic Surgery

1. Residents may not transfer between independent and integrated formats.
2. All transfer requests must be approved by the American Board of Plastic Surgery. The American Osteopathic Board of Surgery (AOBS) does not require pre-approval of transfers into an integrated plastic surgery program for osteopathic residents who intend to take the AOBS certifying examinations.
3. If a complement increase is required to accommodate the transfer, a temporary increase request must be entered into the ACGME’s Accreditation Data System (ADS) and approved by the Review Committee before the transferring resident can be accepted.
4. Transfers into an integrated program are only permitted as follows:
   - Beginning PGY-2: A transfer is permitted after completion of a successful PG-1 year in an ACGME-accredited general surgery, neurological surgery, orthopaedic surgery, otolaryngology, thoracic surgery, urology, or vascular surgery residency, or another ACGME-accredited integrated plastic surgery residency program (Note: not applicable to programs with a status of Pre-Accreditation or Continued Pre-Accreditation).
   - Beginning PGY-3: Only residents who have completed at least two progressive years in an ACGME-accredited surgical residency program (as listed in the previous bullet) or in another ACGME-accredited integrated plastic surgery residency program.
   - Beginning PGY-4: Only residents who have successfully completed one of the ACGME-accredited surgical residency programs listed in the first bullet above.
   - Transfers from one integrated plastic surgery program to another are not allowed after the PGY-3 because the last three years of the integrated program must be completed in the same institution.