ACGME Program Requirements for Graduate Medical Education in Combined Internal Medicine - Pediatrics
Summary and Impact of Focused Requirement Revisions

Requirement: II.B.4.c), d)

Requirement Revision (significant change only):

II.B.4.c) In addition to the program director, there must be at least one core faculty member certified in internal medicine by the ABIM or AOBIM and/or certified in pediatrics by the ABP or AOBP for every eight residents in the program. *(Core)*

II.B.4.d) Among the program director and the required number of medicine-pediatrics core faculty members, at least 50 percent of the individuals must be currently certified in internal medicine by the ABIM or AOBIM and at least 50 percent of the individuals must be currently certified in pediatrics by the ABP or AOBP. *(Core)*

1. Describe the Review Committee’s rationale for this revision:

   Minimum number of faculty is a requirement that must be further specified by the Review Committees. In negotiation with the Review Committee for Pediatrics, the Review Committee for Internal Medicine determined that, in addition to the program director, one core physician faculty member for every eight residents in the program would be sufficient.

2. How will the proposed requirement or revision improve resident/fellow education, patient safety, and/or patient care quality?

   This will directly improve fellow education (and indirectly improve patient safety and patient care quality) by ensuring that there are enough core physician faculty members to teach and supervise residents in the combined program.

3. How will the proposed requirement or revision impact continuity of patient care?

   This should not affect continuity of patient care.

4. Will the proposed requirement or revision necessitate additional institutional resources (e.g., facilities, organization of other services, addition of faculty members, financial support; volume and variety of patients), if so, how?

   If a program did not already have the minimum number of core physician faculty members to support the one to eight ratio, this may necessitate additional financial resources.

5. How will the proposed revision impact other accredited programs?

   This should not affect other accredited programs.