

Guide for Construction of a Block Diagram for Pediatrics Residency Programs Review Committee for Pediatrics

A block diagram represents the rotations for a resident in a given post-graduate year. It offers information on the type, location, length, and variety of rotations for that year. The block diagram shows the rotations a resident would have each year; *it does not need to represent the order in which they occur*. There should be only one block diagram for each year of education in the program. The block diagram must not include resident names.

- Create and upload a PDF of the program's block diagram using the information below as a guide.
- In constructing the block diagram, include the **participating site** at which a rotation takes place and the **name of the rotation**. If the name of the rotation does not describe the nature of the rotation, then clarification should be provided. **Refer to the abbreviations on the sample block diagram.**
- **Group the rotations by site.** List the rotations in Site 1 first, followed by Site 2, etc. When creating the block diagram, the site numbers should correlate with site numbering in the Accreditation Data System.
- For each rotation, note the percentage of time a resident spends in outpatient activities.
- Use the "Notes" section at the end of the block diagram to provide clarification.
- Regardless of the model used, there must be a formal allocation for vacation time. If not shown in the diagram, indicate when residents take vacation time in the "Notes" section.
- There is no standard format for the block diagram; however, the Review Committee for Pediatrics recommends using the following sample block diagram as a template.

	Sample Block Diagram by Weeks																
Weeks	1-4	5-6	7-10	11-12	13-16	17-18	19-22	23-24	25-28	29-30	31-34	35-36	37-40	41-42	43-46	47-48	49-52
Site	Site 1	Site 1	Site 1	Site 1	Site 1	Site 2	Site 2	Site 2	Site 2	Site 3	Site 3	Site 3	Site 3	Site 4	Site 4	Site 4	
Rotation Name	Inpt GP	MH	RS Outpt	PEM	Amb GP	DBP	NICU	IC Sub	PICU	IC Sub	Amb GP*	Adol	Inpt GP	Adol	NN	AI	VAC
% Outpatient	0	90	100	100	100	100	0	variable	0	variable	100	80	0	80	90	100	N/A
% Inpatient	100	10	0	0	0	0	100	variable	100	variable	0	20	100	20	10	0	N/A
# Half-day sessions in longitudinal outpatient clinic	0	6	4	0	4	6	0	6	0	6	4	4	0	4	0	0	N/A

Key of Abbreviations			
ADOL	Adolescent Medicine (4 weeks)	NICU	Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (4-8 weeks)
AI	Acute Illness (0-4 weeks)	NN	Newborn Nursery (4 weeks)
DBP	Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics (4 weeks)	PEM	Pediatric Emergency Medicine (ED) (8-12 weeks)
IC Elec	Electives (clinical, scholarly and/or other experiences chosen by the residents over and above their required experiences) (20 weeks)	PICU	Pediatric Intensive Care Unit (4-8 weeks)
Amb GP	General Ambulatory Pediatrics Clinic (8 weeks)	RS Inpt	Required Inpatient Subspecialty Experience (if part of 24 weeks of inpatient medicine) (0-8 weeks)
IC Sub	Individualized Curriculum/Subspecialty Experience (20 weeks)	RS Outpt	Required Subspecialty Outpatient Experience (4 weeks)
Inpt GP/PHM	Inpatient General Pediatrics/Pediatric Hospital Medicine Service (16-24 weeks)	VAC	Vacation
MH	Mental Health (4 weeks)		

Indicate with an asterisk (*) which rotations incorporate elements of community pediatrics and child advocacy.

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