

Requests for a Waiver for the Minimum Number of Designated Osteopathic Residents/Fellows Osteopathic Recognition Committee

Programs experiencing hardship in meeting the required minimum number of designated osteopathic residents/fellows (Osteopathic Recognition Requirement 2.1.) may request a waiver from demonstrating substantial compliance with the requirement. To request a waiver, programs must send a formal letter outlining the request and an explanation of the hardship that has prevented the program from demonstrating substantial compliance. Some examples of hardship that a program may experience include location (rural, underserved, etc.) and program size. The letter should be addressed to the Osteopathic Recognition Committee and signed by the program director and Director of Osteopathic Education. The letter should be emailed to the executive director of the Osteopathic Recognition Committee. The program will be notified in writing of the Committee's decision.

Programs are encouraged to request a waiver after attempts to recruit residents/fellows into designated osteopathic resident/fellow positions are unsuccessful and they are in jeopardy of non-compliance with the requirement.