

Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education

American College of Rheumatology

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2008-09 Update RRC-IM

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Topics

- Review Committee Members
- 2008 Actions
- Number of Programs
- Common Citations in Rheumatology
- What is New
- Questions and Answers



RRC-IM Members

- NEW
 - Blasé A. Carabello, M.D., VAMC (Houston)
 - Brian Freeman, M.D., University of Iowa
 - Lynne Kirk, M.D., U of Texas Southwest
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- Chair Elect
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Accreditation Actions 2008

- 88 of 391 core programs reviewed
- 461 of 1634 subspecialties reviewed
 - 25 of 107 Rheumatology fellowships reviewed



Rheumatology Actions 2008

- 20 Continue Accreditation
- 2 Accreditation with warning
- 1 Proposed withdrawal
- 1 Proposed Withhold
- 1 Proposed reduction in complement
- 3 Progress reports



Programs and Positions

- 107 programs since 2006
- 446 Approved positions
- 413 Filled positions (92.6%)



Current Review Cycles

- | | | |
|------|--------|-----|
| • No | 1-year | |
| • 3 | 2-year | 3% |
| • 15 | 3-year | 14% |
| • 13 | 4-year | 12% |
| • 76 | 5-year | 71% |



Common Citations

- Majors Areas
 - Institutional -Sponsoring Institution
 - Goals and Objectives
 - Education Program-Didactics
 - Educational Program- Patient Care
 - Evaluation of Fellows
 - Evaluation of Program



Institutional

- No mid-cycle review or not on time
- Mid-cycle review was not preformed by appropriate body
- Mid-cycle review did not interview appropriate staff
- No or inadequate letter of agreement



Goals and Objectives

- Not reviewed at the start of new assignment
- Not competency based
- Not for every assignment
- Not different for each level of training



Didactics

- No clinical conference per week
- Not enough scheduled conferences per month
- Missing topics:
 - Research
 - PM&R
 - End-of-life care
- Inadequate teaching



Patient Care

- Inadequate continuity experience
 - Too many patients
 - Few patients
 - No continuity
 - Inadequate mix
- Clinical experience in the performance or interpretation of...



Evaluation - Fellows

- None based on direct observation
- Inadequate documentation of procedures
- No semiannual reviews with program director
 - face-to-face
 - documented
- No separate evaluation of continuity clinic
- No multisource evaluations



Evaluation-Program

- Annual evaluation
 - Not done
 - Not documented
 - Did not include fellows
 - No action plan
- No confidential – Fellow or Faculty
- Not effective process



NEW 2009

- ACGME
 - Milestones
 - 3 Core Pilots: IM, Surgery, Pediatrics
 - Defines the six exit competencies
 - Measurable
 - Back-tracked by year of training
 - Common for specialty
 - Portfolio
Common Milestones and Evaluation Tools



NEW 2009

- RRC-IM
 - Rewrite of Subspecialty Program Requirements
 - One document
 - Competency-based
 - Less proscriptive
 - Larger emphasis on evaluation
 - Effective July 1, 2010



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Questions?

