Welcome

Student Webinar on the Single GME Accreditation System & Osteopathic Recognition

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Update Single Accreditation System

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Disclosures

I have nothing to disclose or any financial conflicts
Timeline

• MOU announced (AOA, AACOM, ACGME) February 26, 2014

• February 2, 2015 - New sponsoring institutions started submitting Intent to Apply Form via the ACGME Accreditation Data System (ADS)

• April 1, 2015 - New sponsoring institutions started submitting institutional application online

• July 1, 2015 - AOA-approved programs started submitting applications for ACGME accreditation online

• ACGME and AOA Programs started applying for Osteopathic Recognition July 1, 2015

• Pre-accreditation status granted upon submission of a completed online program application
ACGME Board of Directors

• MOU: AOA and AACOM will be full member organizations

• AACOM nominees seated on BOD 2015
  • Clinton E. Adams, DO
  • Gary L. Slick, DO

• AOA nominees seated on BOD 2015
  • Karen J. Nichols, DO
  • David A. Forstein, DO

• Each will seat third nominee 2018

• Each will seat fourth nominee 2020
ACGME Accreditation Structure

Composition

Nominating Organizations:
- AACOM
- AAMC
- ABMS
- AHA
- AMA
- AOA
- CMSS

Nominating Organizations:
- +/- ABMS Board
- +/- AMA
- +/- Specialty Society
- +/- AOA

Nominating Organizations:
The GME community at large and AOA

Nominating Organizations:
- ACGME BOD
- AOA

ACGME Board of Directors*

ACGME Policies

Authority to accredit

BOD Monitoring Committee

27 Specialty Review Committees*

Program Requirements

Authority to recognize

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Program Requirements

Authority to recognize

Institutional Review Committee*

Institutional Requirements

Osteopathic Principles Committee*

Osteopathic Recognition Requirements

*Each with at least one public and one resident member

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Program Director Qualifications in the Single Accreditation System

- It is important to note that many Review Committees have other requirements for the program director position in addition to certification.

- Those additional requirements may be published in Program Requirements, FAQs from the Review Committee (which can be found on the Review Committee web page), or both.

- As is currently the case, all program director appointments must be reviewed and approved by the Review Committee.
Program Director Qualifications in the Single Accreditation System

• Thoracic Surgery and ENT were the most recent to announce they would consider AOA certification

• With these added now represents approximately 97% AOA – programs

• Co-directors would be accounted for appropriately 40 of AOA’s 1,248 programs
New ACGME Committees

• Osteopathic Principles Committee (OPC)

• Osteopathic Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine Committee (ONMM)
AOA-Approved*

- OPTI’s: 20
- Internships: 121
- Residency Programs: 866
- Fellowships: 261
  Total Programs: 1,248

- Approved positions: 14,997
- Filled positions: 8,626

*As of June 30, 2015
ACGME Programs

- 9,865 GME programs*
- 125,900 residents and fellows*
- 786 sponsoring institutions*
- 29 Review Committees
- 1 Recognition Committee
- Approximately 6,000 items/decisions per year

*ACGME Data AY 2015-16
Where do AOA Programs stand in the pre-accreditation Process?
“Pre-Accreditation Status”

• Created for and to be applied only during the transition to ACGME accreditation for currently AOA-approved programs
• Extended to include institutions
• Is not synonymous with Initial Accreditation
• Granted upon receipt of completed application
• Does not require IRC/RC review
• Status will be publicly acknowledged
Importance to AOA programs:

• Individuals who complete programs that have previously achieved “pre-accreditation status” will be subject to 2013 or 2016 eligibility standards, whichever is less restrictive.

• Pre-Accreditation Status cannot be retroactively granted (“grandfathered”)

• Not all graduates of programs with “pre-accreditation status” will be eligible for all ACGME programs
Eligibility Requirements

Single GME Accreditation System

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Common Program Requirements are in BOLD

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Questions

- Will Both COMLEX and USMLE continue to exist?

- Will I be able to take either exam or will I still have to take COMLEX?

- Will COMLEX be accepted by more residency programs, especially specialty programs?

- To be accepted in an ACGME program, do I need to take both USMLE Step 1 and Step 2?
National Boards

- Osteopathic Medical Students are required to take and pass COMLEX Level 1, 2 CE, and 2 PE in order to graduate
- COMLEX Level 3 usually taken and passed in the postgraduate years to be eligible for a licensure
- USMLE may be taken by Allopathic or Osteopathic students
National Boards

• Students are not required to take USMLE

• Program Directors have full authority on which boards they will accept

• Students applying to ACGME programs should check with the programs about application and/or interview deadlines and which boards are acceptable

• The student must decide if they need to take USMLE
National Boards

- Over 77% of ACGME Programs accept COMLEX (this number has continued to increase)

- If an ACGME program requires USMLE, check with the program which Steps are needed (Step 1 and/or Step 2)

- If an applicant takes USMLE (just like when an applicant take COMLEX), the applicant should always do their best

- Student performance on Boards (COMLEX or USMLE) may influence program director decisions to offer interviews or rank a candidate
Which Review Committees (RC) will accept AOA First year (internship) training?
RC Decisions on Non-ACGME Preliminary Clinical Years (AOA Internships)

• Several ACGME Review Committees (RCs) have determined that, during the transition to the single GME accreditation system, residency programs in specialties requiring a preliminary clinical year will be permitted flexibility in accepting residents who have completed this training in an AOA-approved program.

• During this transition, ACGME-accredited residency programs in the these specialties can consider applicants from AOA-approved internship programs that are not yet pre-accredited or accredited by the ACGME and not jeopardize their accreditation status if they accept such applicants.

• RCs permitting this flexibility have communicated this information through FAQs and/or other communications with program directors in the specialty.
RC Decisions on Non-ACGME Preliminary Clinical Years (AOA Internships)

- Review Eligibility Requirements for each specialty
- Review Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) or posted statements from each specialty for information
- Anesthesiology
- Dermatology
- Diagnostic Radiology
- Medical Genetics
- Nuclear Medicine
- Ophthalmology
- PM&R
- Preventive Medicine
- Radiation Oncology
Are individuals who completed a broad-based clinical year in an AOA-approved program eligible to apply to ACGME-accredited anesthesiology programs?

[Program Requirement: III.A.1.]

The RRC understands that during this 2015-2017 transition, core programs which require a pre-requisite year may wish to consider applicants in AOA accredited programs that are not yet pre-accredited or accredited by the ACGME. Core programs will not jeopardize their accreditation status if they accept these individuals. Programs should check with the ABA and/or the American Osteopathic Board of Anesthesiology (AOBA) regarding certification eligibility.
Are individuals who completed a broad-based clinical year in an AOA-approved program eligible to apply to ACGME-accredited dermatology programs?

[Program Requirement: III.A.1.]

The Review Committee understands that during the transition period to a single accreditation system, programs may wish to consider applicants from AOA-approved programs that are not yet pre-accredited or accredited by the ACGME. Core programs will not jeopardize their accreditation status if they accept such applicants. Applicants should check with the ABD and/or the American Osteopathic Board of Dermatology (AOBD) regarding certification eligibility.
Diagnostic Radiology – Non-FAQ Language
A document titled “DR Eligibility Considerations” will be posted to the RC webpage. The excerpt below addresses eligibility to enter a diagnostic radiology residency:

Eligibility for R1 class July 1, 2016
The Review Committee announced earlier in 2015 that diagnostic radiology programs with matched residents who did not meet the clinical year eligibility criteria could accept these individuals without consequence. This was allowed due to the 2015 match occurring prior to AOA programs applying for pre-accreditation. Other individual exceptions were also granted.

Eligibility for R1 class July 1, 2017
The Review Committee understands that during the transition to a single GME accreditation system, program directors may wish to consider applicants from AOA-approved programs that are not yet pre-accredited or accredited by the ACGME. As such, the Committee will once again allow radiology programs that accept candidates who completed an AOA-approved clinical year to do so without consequence. No other exceptions will be considered.

Eligibility for R1 class July 1, 2018 and beyond
All residents entering radiology residency programs must be compliant with the 2016 clinical year eligibility requirements as stated.
Medical Genetics – FAQ Language

Are individuals who completed a broad-based clinical year in an AOA-approved program eligible to apply to ACGME-accredited medical genetics and genomics programs?

[Program Requirement: III.A.1.]

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Nuclear Medicine

Nuclear Medicine – FAQ Language

As AOA-approved programs transition to ACGME accreditation, are there any considerations for nuclear medicine programs considering applicants who have previously completed AOA-approved training?

(Program Requirement: III.A.1.c)

The Review Committee understands that during the transition to a single accreditation system, nuclear medicine programs may wish to consider NM1 applicants who have completed one year of graduate medical education in an AOA-approved program. Nuclear medicine programs will not jeopardize their accreditation status if they accept these individuals. All programs should check with the American Board of Nuclear Medicine (ABNM) and/or the American Osteopathic Board of Nuclear Medicine (AOBNM) regarding certification eligibility.
Are individuals who completed a broad based clinical year in an AOA-approved program eligible to apply to ACGME-accredited ophthalmology programs?

[Program Requirement: III.A.1.]

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Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation – FAQ Language

Are individuals who completed a traditional rotating osteopathic internship in an AOA-approved program eligible to apply to ACGME-accredited physical medicine and rehabilitation programs?

[Program Requirement: III.A.1.]

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Preventive Medicine – FAQ Language

Are individuals who completed a broad-based clinical year in an AOA-approved program eligible to apply to ACGME-accredited preventive medicine programs?

[Program Requirement: III.A.1.]

The Review Committee for Preventive Medicine understands that during this one-year transition, programs may wish to consider applicants currently enrolled in an AOA-approved prerequisite program that is not yet pre-accredited or accredited by the ACGME. A core program will not jeopardize its accreditation status if it accepts such individuals. Programs should check with the ABPM and/or the American Osteopathic Board of Preventive Medicine (AOBPM) regarding certification eligibility.
Are individuals who completed a traditional rotating osteopathic internship in an AOA-approved program eligible to apply to ACGME-accredited radiation oncology programs?

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Questions

Students that enter an Osteopathic Residency, what happens to the residents if the program does not apply for accreditation?

AOA Programs that do not plan to seek ACGME Accreditation: Based on AOA rules the program would be able to accept new residents only if they could complete their training by June 30, 2020. If this is not possible, the program will not be able to accept new trainees.

AOA Programs that have applied or plan to apply for ACGME accreditation: The program upon application will be placed in pre-accreditation which would allow the program several opportunities to achieve ACGME accreditation.
Questions

How should students be preparing for the SAS? How will the single accreditation system affect the residency application process and matching criteria for DO and MD students?

- Students need to become familiar with transition, have an understanding of the process, and review information from ACGME, AACOM, AOA, and their COM GME Deans to stay current.
- The residency application process uses ERAS as the application platform for most AOA and ACGME programs. Students should become familiar with ERAS and check for updates on the ERAS Website.
Questions

- Program Directors will continue to follow their application and interview process.
- Osteopathic students can interview at AOA and ACGME programs.
- Allopathic students interview at ACGME programs.
- Osteopathic students can participate and match in the DO or the NRMP Match (in the past students have been able to match into internship position in the DO match and an advanced positions in NRMP match*)

*see slides on “Which Review Committees (RC) will accept AOA First year (internship) training”
Questions

- Allopathic students can match through the NRMP match but not the DO match.
- When an AOA program achieves ACGME accreditation, the program is eligible to enter the NRMP match and could match any medical student.
- AOA programs in pre-accreditation can only utilize the DO Match.
Questions

Will requirements for fellowship change once ACGME and AOA residencies unify?

- Students and Residents need to review eligibility requirements for each specialty or subspecialty to determine what is required to enter a specialty or fellowship.
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Applications

- 98 Osteopathic Sponsoring Institutions (9 OPTI’s)
  - 48 Open Applications

- Institutions
  - 23 Initial Accreditation
  - 10 Pre-accreditation
  - 17 Continued Pre-accreditation

- 254 AOA Programs
  - 185 Open Applications (27 open applications are in existing ACGME sponsoring institutions)
  - 59 Pre-accreditation – Pathway A
  - 7 Continued Pre-accreditation
  - 3 Initial accreditation (1 Pediatric and 2 IM Programs)
Applications

• Program applications
  • 68 Pre-accreditation and continued pre-accreditation
    ▪ Anesthesiology-1
    ▪ Dermatology-1
    ▪ Emergency Medicine - 9
    ▪ Family Medicine-9
    ▪ Hospice and Palliative Medicine (multidisciplinary)-1
    ▪ Internal Medicine – 13
    ▪ Neurological Surgery - 2
    ▪ Ophthalmology - 1
    ▪ Orthopaedic Surgery-8
    ▪ Osteopathic Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine-1
    ▪ Otolaryngology - 4
    ▪ Radiology-diagnostic - 4
    ▪ Surgery - 9
    ▪ Urology – 5
  • 1 Pediatric Program and 2 Internal Medicine Programs have achieved Initial Accreditation
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Osteopathic Recognition (OR)

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Objectives

1. What is the impact of the Single Accreditation System on the Osteopathic Medical Student?
2. What is Osteopathic Recognition?
3. What are the characteristics of a program with Osteopathic Recognition?
4. How can students identify and locate programs with Osteopathic Recognition?
Single Accreditation System (SAS) Timeline

CONCLUSION OF THE SAS MOU AGREEMENT 06/30/2020

02/26/2014
SINGLE ACREDITATION SYSTEM MOU ANNOUNCED

04/01/2015
SPONSORING INSTITUTIONS COULD BEGIN APPLYING FOR ACGME ACCREDITATION

07/01/2015
PROGRAMS COULD BEGIN APPLYING FOR ACGME ACCREDITATION

11/02/2015
FIRST PROGRAMS RECEIVE ACGME OSTEOPATHIC RECOGNITION

07/01/2015
PROGRAMS COULD BEGIN APPLYING FOR ACGME OSTEOPATHIC RECOGNITION

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What is Osteopathic Recognition (OR)?
Nomenclature

• **Osteopathic Recognition**
  • Conferred upon any ACGME-accredited graduate medical education program providing requisite training in osteopathic principles and practice after appropriate application and review for adherence to established requirements.

• **Osteopathic Track**
  • Programs receiving Osteopathic Recognition may designate the entire program as osteopathic-focused or designate a portion of the program as an osteopathic-focused track.

• **Osteopathic Principles and Practice**
  • The conceptual understanding and practical application of the distinct behavioral, philosophical, and procedural aspects of osteopathic medicine.
Osteopathic Recognition
What?

- Commitment by a program to teach and assess osteopathic principles and practices
  - Continuation
    - Existing AOA programs
  - Addition
    - Existing ACGME programs
  - Expansion
    - Future ACGME programs
Osteopathic Recognition
Why?

- OR provides an organized approach to perpetuate the profession’s contributions to healthcare
- OR creates opportunity

“Patient care delivered within the context of the four tenets of osteopathic medicine is aligned to patient-centered, high-value care and the needs of our nation’s healthcare system.”
How does a program receive OR?
OR Application

- A program must apply (to the ACGME) for OR.
- Requires submission of an application and required sample documents
- All ACGME accredited or “pre-accredited”** programs may apply for OR, even those not previously AOA-approved.
- Only ACGME-accredited may receive OR, so OR application must be held for review if submitted by a program in “pre-accreditation”**.

**Pre-accredited programs are those programs that were AOA-approved on July 1, 2015 and have submitted their ACGME accreditation application, but are not yet an accredited program
If a program has OR, does that mean all residents in the program must receive osteopathic-focused education?
OR Programs

No, a program has the ability to determine if all residents in the program will receive osteopathic-focused education or if a sub-set of the residents in the program will receive osteopathic-focused education. That sub-set of residents is referred to as an osteopathic-focused track.
What does a program need to do to demonstrate OR?
Characteristics of the Osteopathic Focused Learning Environment

1 Requires committed mentors and roles models
   • Leaders and faculty
     • Who care, are engaged, and are trained

2 Considers the value of exposure to diverse training environments
   • Not intended to emphasize one setting over another, but also not intended to marginalize the importance of community-based training
Characteristics of the Osteopathic Focused Learning Environment

3. Considers the importance of promoting the continuum of osteopathic medical education

4. Requires inclusion of learning activities intended to prepare trainee to meet osteopathic milestones

5. Prepares graduates for successful certification inclusive of OPP
   - Creates expectation for performance feedback
   - Establishes an outcome (board certification)
Leadership

III.C.1.c) The program director, co-program director, or osteopathic-focused track director must engage in osteopathic-focused professional development applicable to his/her responsibilities as an educational leader.

III.C.1.c).(2) The program director, co-program director, or osteopathic-focused track director must participate in a faculty development program that includes Osteopathic Principles and Practice.
Scholarly Activity

Requirement is intended to emphasize and improve upon the profession’s unique contributions to healthcare

- Align faculty and resident efforts to ACGME expectations for scholarly activity
  - Emphasize scholarly work that may include research
  - Allow for different efforts by faculty and residents
  - Accommodate for specialty requirements that could create barriers
    - Example: The resident must publish an original research paper
  - Establish a threshold that can be altered over time
What does an MD need to do to get into an osteopathic-focused position in an OR program?
Defining Resident Eligibility

Training in an osteopathic focused program or osteopathic focused track requires one of the following:

- A DO degree
- A MD degree or equivalent with additional prerequisites
  - Expectations
    - Noted in the FAQ document
    - Intended to demonstrate interest in and readiness for the training program, not equivalence
    - Will likely evolve as the EPA concept matures
Defining Resident Eligibility

IV.B.
Prior to matriculation, residents meeting the requirements for IV.A.2. or IV.A.3. above must have sufficient background and/or instruction in osteopathic philosophy and techniques in manipulative medicine sufficient to prepare them to engage in the curriculum of the program, to include:

- osteopathic philosophy, history, terminology, and code of ethics;
- anatomy and physiology related to osteopathic medicine;
- indications, contraindications, and safety issues associated with the use of osteopathic manipulative treatment; and,
- palpatory diagnosis, osteopathic structural examination, and osteopathic manipulative treatment.
Fellowship Eligibility

IV.C.
DO or MD candidates applying to fellowship programs with Osteopathic Recognition must have completed an osteopathic-focused residency program or track in the required field of study.
Who oversees OR?
Osteopathic Principles Committee (OPC)

The ACGME OPC confers OR upon programs that apply for OR and oversees those programs to ensure they maintain compliance with the requirements.

- OPC has 17 members including a resident member and a public member. *(13 members appointed by the AOA and 2 appointed by the ACGME Board of Directors)*
- OPC only oversees the osteopathic-focused education in the program. The specialty Review Committees oversees the program’s adherence to the program (accreditation) requirements.
Are there any ACGME programs that have received OR?
ACGME Programs w/ OR

Yes, 18 OR program applications were reviewed at the November meeting of the OPC and received Osteopathic Recognition. Also, referred to as “Initial Recognition”.

Specialty Breakdown:
• 13 – Family Medicine
• 4 – Internal Medicine
• 1 – Internal Medicine/Pediatrics
How can I find a program with OR?
This report lists programs that have applied for OR and those who have received OR.

- Programs listed with an “Osteopathic Recognition Status” of “application” have submitted an OR application, but have not yet had their application reviewed by the OPC.
- Programs listed with an “Osteopathic Recognition Status” of “initial recognition” have received Osteopathic Recognition from the OPC.
### Report Lists

- List of Programs by Specialty
- List of Sponsoring Institutions
- List of Programs by Sponsor
- List of Programs that Applied for Accreditation Under the Single Accreditation System by Specialty

### Report Totals

- Number of Accredited Programs by Academic Year
- Number of Pre-Accredited Programs by Academic Year
- Accreditation Decisions
- Number of New Program Directors
- Number of Sponsors, Programs, and Residents by State
If an ACGME-accredited program has received OR, will a student be able to match into an osteopathic-focused position in the NRMP Match?
Yes, ACGME-accredited programs that have been conferred with OR (by the OPC) will be eligible to designate an OR track (within a program) in the NRMP Match. This would allow a candidate to match directly into an osteopathic-focused position within a program with OR.

Note: Any questions related to the NRMP Match, AOA Match, or any of the other Matching service should be directed to that service.
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SAS & OR Resources
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- ACGME SAS webpage: [https://www.acgme.org/acgmeweb/tabid/445/GraduateMedicalEducation/SingleAccreditationSystemforAOA-ApprovedPrograms.aspx](https://www.acgme.org/acgmeweb/tabid/445/GraduateMedicalEducation/SingleAccreditationSystemforAOA-ApprovedPrograms.aspx)
- SAS (recorded) presentations and webinars: [https://www.acgme.org/acgmeweb/tabid/486/GraduateMedicalEducation/SingleGMEAccreditationSystem/Webinars.aspx](https://www.acgme.org/acgmeweb/tabid/486/GraduateMedicalEducation/SingleGMEAccreditationSystem/Webinars.aspx)
  - Includes general presentations on the SAS, ACGME Milestones, and OR.
- ACGME program and institutional search and reports webpage: [https://apps.acgme.org/ads/public/](https://apps.acgme.org/ads/public/)
OPC Web Page

Website: www.acgme.org
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