Management of Institutional Accreditation

The GME Executive Committee provides leadership to develop and implement action plans for improving institutional oversight and support. The GME Operations brings senior hospital administrators together with the DIO and the Senior Associate Dean for GME on a bi-weekly basis to discuss and formulate corrective action plans for areas of concern identified in the citations and any new concerns identified internally.

Areas that have been identified as “areas not in substantial compliance” with ACGME requirements are also evaluated during the internal reviews.

Oversight of Program Accreditation

A copy of all ACGME/RRC communications from and to program directors and the DIO are included in the monthly GMEC agenda for discussion. Program directors who receive specific comments are given the opportunity to respond to questions from their peers at the monthly GMEC meeting regarding these issues.

Each program director is required to provide a root cause analysis of the citation as described in the letter and to outline a corrective action plan. The acuity and severity of the citation affects the time given by the GMEC to the program director to respond. Issues of duty hour violations and recurrent citations demand immediate attention and presentation of an action plan at the next GMEC meeting. If the citations support either probation, proposed probation, or warning the DIO and the Senior Associate Dean for Graduate Medical Education meet with the residents and faculty members independently to assess the issues. After required consultation with the department chair, the program director submits a comprehensive plan to address the identified deficiencies.