

**ACGME Program Requirements for Graduate Medical Education
in Pediatric Urology
Summary and Impact of Major Requirement Revisions**

Requirement #: I.B.3

Requirement Revision (significant change only):

Assignments at participating sites must be for a minimum of one month to ensure a quality educational experience, and must provide sufficient opportunity for continuity of care. ^(Core)

1. Describe the Review Committee's rationale for this revision: **This revision was written to ensure each assignment is of sufficient length to provide a quality educational experience and continuity of care.**
2. How will the proposed requirement or revision improve resident/fellow education, patient safety, and/or patient care quality? **The proposed requirement will ensure rotation length is sufficient for fellows to become meaningfully involved in patient care, which will positively impact patient safety/care.**
3. How will the proposed requirement or revision impact continuity of patient care? **The requirement for at least one month at a participating site will help ensure continuity of care.**
4. Will the proposed requirement or revision necessitate additional institutional resources (e.g., facilities, organization of other services, addition of faculty members, financial support; volume and variety of patients), if so, how? **If a program currently has a rotation at a participating site that is less than one month, the program will need to extend the rotation length, which may require additional funding and/or faculty involvement.**
5. How will the proposed revision impact other accredited programs? **If a program needs to extend a rotation's length, there may be fewer patients/procedures available to other residents/fellows.**

Requirement #: II.A.1.c)

Requirement Revision (significant change only):

The minimum term of appointment for the program director should be must continue in his or her position for a minimum of ~~three~~ ~~6~~ ~~six~~ years to provide for educational stability. ^(Core)

1. Describe the Review Committee's rationale for this revision: **The requirement will promote a stable educational environment.**
2. How will the proposed requirement or revision improve resident/fellow education, patient safety, and/or patient care quality? **Stability has a positive impact on fellow education because it improves program organization, communication, and the likelihood that program improvement activities are implemented, monitored, and reviewed.**
3. How will the proposed requirement or revision impact continuity of patient care? **N/A**

4. Will the proposed requirement or revision necessitate additional institutional resources (e.g., facilities, organization of other services, addition of faculty members, financial support; volume and variety of patients), if so, how? **N/A**

5. How will the proposed revision impact other accredited programs? **N/A**

Requirement #: II.A.2.d)

Requirement Revision (significant change only)
a minimum of four years of experience in urology following residency or qualifications acceptable to the Review Committee. ^(Core)

1. Describe the Review Committee's rationale for this revision: **The lack of a requirement for program director experience was inconsistent with the expertise needed to be a successful program director. The Review Committee believes four years of experience will help prepare individuals to effectively manage the challenges of the program director position.**

2. How will the proposed requirement or revision improve resident/fellow education, patient safety, and/or patient care quality? **Potential candidates will have had time to develop the experience, knowledge, and leadership skills needed to direct a program, which will improve fellow education and in turn positively impact patient safety/care.**

3. How will the proposed requirement or revision impact continuity of patient care? **N/A**

4. Will the proposed requirement or revision necessitate additional institutional resources (e.g., facilities, organization of other services, addition of faculty members, financial support; volume and variety of patients), if so, how? **Additional financial support and faculty members may be needed to appoint a program director who meets this requirement.**

5. How will the proposed revision impact other accredited programs? **N/A**

Requirement #: IV.B.1-IV.B.2

Requirement Revision (significant change only):

IV.B.1. Formal research activity must not occur during the fellowship (i.e., clinical year). ^(Core)

IV.B.2. Fellows' documentation of their should participate in other forms of scholarly activity, must be demonstrated by such as manuscript preparation, lectures, teaching activities, abstracts, and active performance of quality improvement projects, and research, project preparation or participation in project wrap-up, clinical studies and reviews. ^(OutcomeDetail)

1. Describe the Review Committee's rationale for this revision: **The Review Committee recognizes that the ACGME-accredited program is in fact one year of a two-year fellowship. The ACGME accredited year serves as the "clinical" year and the unaccredited year as a "research" year. The Committee believes it is important to clarify the acceptable scholarly activities during the accredited year to ensure fellows devote their time to clinical education.**

2. How will the proposed requirement or revision improve resident/fellow education, patient safety, and/or patient care quality? **The change will ensure that clinical education is the focus of the ACGME-accredited year, which will have a positive impact on patient safety/care.**
3. How will the proposed requirement or revision impact continuity of patient care? **The requirement will ensure research activities do not undermine continuity of patient care.**
4. Will the proposed requirement or revision necessitate additional institutional resources (e.g., facilities, organization of other services, addition of faculty members, financial support; volume and variety of patients), if so, how? **N/A**
5. How will the proposed revision impact other accredited programs? **N/A**