



Item: AS: I-2

COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

Tuesday, June 2, 2020

SUBJECT: ANNUAL REPORT ON GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

No action is necessary. This item is only informational.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Florida Atlantic University's Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine is the institutional sponsor of graduate medical education programs (i.e. residencies and fellowships) accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME). This includes the ongoing commitment to provide the necessary educational, financial, physical and human resources needed to comply with all applicable ACGME and specialty board requirements related to these programs. The institution has appointed a Designated Institutional Official (DIO) and Graduate Medical Education Committee (GMEC) that are responsible for oversight of all programs and compliance with the ACGME institutional, common and specialty specific program requirements. As part of the accreditation process, ACGME requires that the FAU Board of Trustees receive an annual report from the DIO regarding graduate medical education programs. No action is necessary, as this is purely an informational item.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE

N/A

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

N/A

Supporting Documentation: DIO Report and Addendum Letter

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Florida Atlantic University
Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine
Annual Graduate Medical Education Report, 2018-19 Academic Year

Institution: 8001100098

The Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine [FAU COM] within Florida Atlantic University is the institutional sponsor of graduate medical education [GME] programs [including residencies and fellowships] accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education [ACGME].

FAU COM's sponsorship includes the ongoing commitment to provide the necessary educational, financial, physical and human resources needed to comply with all applicable ACGME and specialty board requirements related to these GME programs.

The College of Medicine and Florida Atlantic University have ultimate responsibility for and authority for oversight over the administration of graduate medical education and each GME program, including the resident/fellow assignments and the quality of the learning and working environment at all participating sites.

For this purpose, the FAU COM has appointed a Designated Institutional Official [DIO] and Graduate Medical Education Committee [GMEC] that are responsible for oversight of all GME programs and compliance with the ACGME institutional, common and specialty specific program requirements.

On 12/21/18 FAU COM received notification by the ACGME that its accreditation status had been changed to "Continued Accreditation", effective 10/03/2018, and that its previously issued citations [see below] had been successfully resolved. The ACGME Review Committee commended the institution for its demonstrated substantial compliance with the ACGME's Institutional Requirements without any new citations.

Data used for this report:

The report uses available data from the academic year 2018-19, supplemented with data from the calendar year 2019, including the following resources:

- ACGME web-based Accreditation Data System (Web ADS)
- Annual Program evaluations (APE)
- GMEC minutes
- Specialty Board reports on graduate's board pass rates
- Reports by Consortium hospital leadership

The ACGME requires that each Sponsoring Institution's Graduate Medical Education Committee (GMEC) perform an annual institutional review (AIR) to demonstrate its oversight of institutional and program accreditation and ongoing improvement. The DIO must annually submit a written executive summary of the AIR to the Sponsoring Institution's Governing Body, including a summary of institutional performance indicators and a list of action plans and performance monitoring procedures resulting from the AIR.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Annual Institutional Review

The GMEC conducted its annual review at its monthly meeting on January 14, 2020.

The institution is in continued accreditation without citation. Of the 9 sponsored programs, 4 are in continued accreditation/self-study and 5 are in initial accreditation. The institution and all of its programs are in substantial compliance with ACGME and specialty board requirements

Program outcomes are excellent with 97% (Internal Medicine) and 100% (Surgery) specialty board first pass rates, > 85% (Internal Medicine) and 100% (Surgery) successful fellowship match rates, and a significant number of residents (~ 45%) choosing to remain in Florida.

FAU COM sponsored programs are attractive to American and international MD/DO applicants. A total of ~ 9200 electronic applications were received for ~56 annual positions (~1800 US MD, ~1300 US DO). The IM program was acknowledged as one of the 15 most viewed programs in Florida (~ 250,000 page views, 263 programs) and one of the 10 most viewed Internal Medicine programs in the US by the American Medical Association's Fellowship and Residency Electronic Interactive Database Access System (ADA FREIDA™); the Psychiatry program was recognized as the 8th most viewed program in the US by the same organization.

The institution engaged in monitoring and systematic improvement of three core areas (institutional action plan): 1) resident and faculty engagement in scholarship and research; 2) resident and faculty engagement in quality improvement and patient safety (QIPS); and 3) resident well-being. Resident/faculty scholarship increased by 35%. Significant progress was made with engaging residents and faculty in QIPS by establishing hospital sponsored grants and a task force implementing and overseeing an annual resident QIPS project competition. The institution joined the Collaborative for Healing and Renewal in Medicine (CHARM) in adopting of the Charter of Physician Wellbeing. Online resources related to wellness and burnout self-screening tools and the FAU wellness hub were augmented. Residents and fellows were given access to the Palm Beach County Medical Society wellness resources and FAU Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) were made available to residents and fellows as a crisis resource. Each program engaged in efforts to promote resident well-being. The Surgery program was chosen as participating site in national SECOND trial. The Resident Council was provided with funding to put on inter-program wellness events. The Institution will continue to monitor these three areas for its 2019-2020 action plan.

Faculty development was identified as additional area of need. Dr. Drowos was appointed to the role of Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs; in this role she will collaborate with the DIO in leading GME faculty development efforts, going forward.

2019 saw significant changes in FAU COM GME leadership: 1) Dr. Sarah Wood, Senior Associate Dean Medical Education, assumed oversight responsibility for the entire continuum of medical education from UME to GME; 2) Dr. Thomas Genuit assumed the role of Interim DIO following the departure of Dr. Lee Learman; 3) Interim Program Directors were appointed for Emergency Medicine and Neurology due to leadership transitions. National searches are ongoing to fill these positions and the DIO position in 2020.

DETAILED REPORT:

Hospital Partners, resident/fellow distribution:

FAU COM sponsored GME programs deliver the clinical training of its residents and fellows at five hospitals that, along with FAU, comprise the FAU Graduate Medical Education (GME) Consortium. Each program is assigned to one specific hospital as its primary site. In addition, some programs have partnered with additional hospitals and academic institutions to deliver specialty educational experiences not available within the consortium.

Program (current trainee FTEs/approved complement)	Boca Raton Regional Hospital (Baptist Health)	Bethesda Hospital East (Baptist Health)	Delray Medical Center (Tenet)	St. Mary's Medical Center (Tenet)	West Boca Medical Center (Tenet)
Internal Medicine (78/96)	P	X	X		
General Surgery (41/45)	P	X		X	X
Emergency Med. (18/18)		P	X	X	
Psychiatry (8/16)			P		
Neurology (6/12)	P			X	X
Cardiovascular Dis (4/6)			P		
Hospice-Palliative Med (1)			P		
Geriatric Medicine (0/1)	Other (see below)				

Specialty training sites	Gen. Surg. - Cleveland Clinic Florida, University of Florida Psychiatry - South County Mental Health Center Geriatrics - West Palm Beach VA Medical Center (primary site)
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P denotes the program's primary site; X denotes key training site

**Designated Institutional Official (DIO) and
Graduate Medical Education Committee (GMEC) oversight:**

In June 2019, Dr. Lee Learman resigned his position as DIO to assume the position of Dean of the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine. Dr. Thomas Genuit, Chair of the Department of Surgery and Program Director General Surgery, assumed the role of Interim DIO.

Dr. Sarah Wood, Senior Associate Dean of Medical Education, expanded her leadership role to include oversight of both undergraduate and graduate medical education.

A nation-wide search was initiated to recruit a new highly qualified permanent DIO and Associate Dean for Graduate Medical Education and is nearing conclusion. The departure of the previous DIO and the Assistant Dean for Graduate Medical Education, Dr. Roger Smith, afforded the College the opportunity to restructure GME administrative leadership from two to one full-time position and assign the responsibilities related to faculty development to a newly created position.

Dr. Joanna Drowos was appointed Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs, a role that includes shared responsibility for faculty development for GME with the DIO.

The GMEC met twelve times during the academic year 2018-19. The Program Directors of the Hospice and Palliative Medicine fellowship and Geriatric Medicine fellowship programs were added to the voting membership of the GMEC once the programs received their (initial) ACGME accreditation, in July 2018.

The GMEC reviewed each program's clinical and educational work hours quarterly for the academic year 2018-2019. There were no major or systematic violations; all residents and faculty received education on work hour regulations and fatigue prevention, recognition and management in accordance with the updated common ACGME program requirement effective July 1, 2018.

The GMEC approved a new policy on Standards of Professional Conduct and revisions to policies on Transition of Care and Supervision & Accountability for its Policy and Operations Manual. The policies for Leave of Absence and Benefits and the Administrative Review process are currently under revision.

In Collaboration with FAU COM leadership, FAU legal counsel, and FAU leadership, the FAU GME Consortium Agreement, Master Affiliation Agreements, and Program Addenda underwent a scheduled systematic review and update/amendment where necessary. All agreements were reviewed and approved by the GMEC. The updated Master Affiliation Agreements are effective through June 2024.

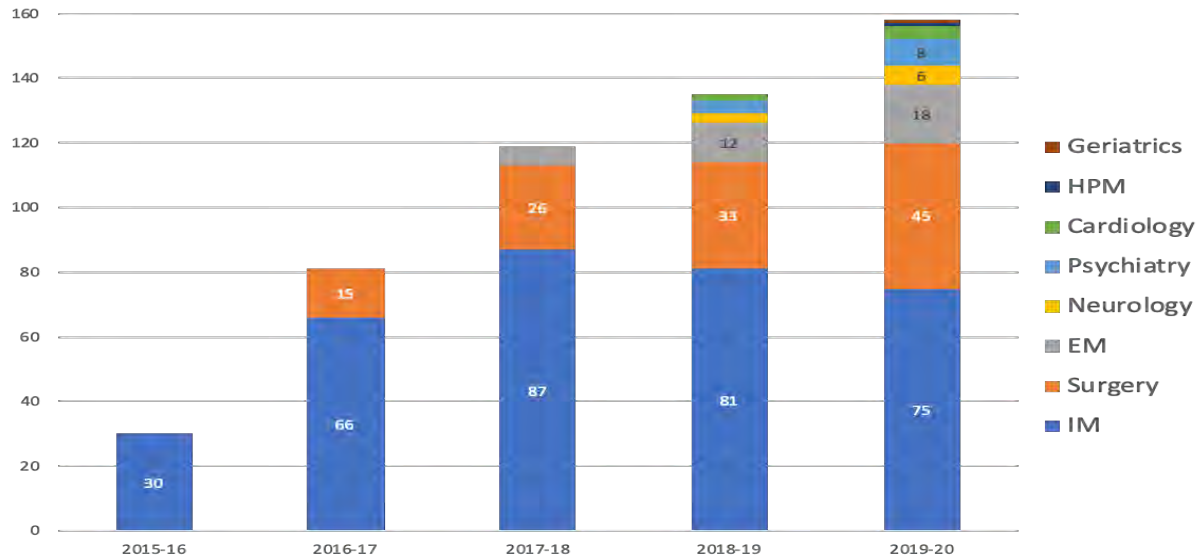
The GMEC, in collaboration with the FAU COM Senior Associate Dean for Finance and Hospital CFO's, reviewed and approved resident/fellow salaries and benefits for the academic year 2019-2020.

The DIO reviewed and approved each program's annual program evaluation (APE) and action plans, as well as each program's updates and responses to citations to the ACGME, and the program applications of programs undergoing an ACGME site visit [Vascular Surgery, Cardiovascular Disease]. The GMEC and DIO approved the transition of program leadership and appointment of an interim Program Director for the Emergency Medicine and Neurology programs. National searches for highly qualified permanent Program Directors will be launched in February 2020.

Delray Medical Center (DMC) underwent a reassessment of its resident/fellow cap by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services in October 2018. This led to a reduction in the total funded resident complement for this facility. In collaboration with hospital leadership of all consortium hospitals, program directors and the GMEC, the DIO led the effort of reassigning residents to other training sites and the creation of new educational experiences (rotations). The program in Internal Medicine reduced its footprint at DMC by 12 FTE; residents were reassigned to Boca Regional Hospital (BRRH) and Bethesda Hospital EAST (BHE) and new rotations in Cardiology, Nephrology, Infectious Diseases, Emergency Medicine, Radiology, and Sports Medicine, Geriatrics, Procedures, and Pathology were created at these institutions. The program in General Surgery closed its General Surgery rotation at DMC and moved 3 FTE to General surgery and Acute Care Surgery rotations at St Mary's Medical Center (SMMC) and West Boca Medical Center (WBMC). The Neurology program moved 2 FTE to its primary site, BRRH and created a new Pediatric Neurology Rotation at SMMC. Assignment of Emergency Medicine, Psychiatry, Cardiovascular and Vascular Surgery residents/fellows at DMC remained unchanged.

The GMEC and DIO monitored progress toward its action items (resident wellness, resident/ fellow engagement in scholarship and quality improvement and patient safety) and conducted its Annual Institutional Review (AIR) in accordance with ACGME requirements, in January 2020.

In 2019 the number of active residents increased from 130 to 160.



Accreditation status of GME programs:

Five programs are currently in initial accreditation and five programs are in continued accreditation without any warning, restriction or conditions. One additional program is currently under development.

Program	Accreditation Status*	Citations	Next Review
Sponsoring Institution	Continued 10/03/18	0	Annual self-study
Internal Medicine	Continued 01/25/19	0	Annual self-study
General Surgery	Continued 09/27/18	2	Annual self-study
Emergency Medicine	Continued 09/13/18	0	Annual self-study
Psychiatry	Initial 07/01/16	0	Site Visit April 10, 2019 awaiting accreditation decision (Jan/Feb 2020)
Neurology	Initial 07/01/17	2	Site Visit Jan. 28, 2020
Cardiovascular Diseases	Continued 09/27/19	0	Annual self-study
Hospice and Palliative Medicine	Initial 07/01/18	0	Site Visit July 1, 2020
Geriatric Medicine	Initial 07/01/18	0	Site Visit April 1, 2021
Vascular Surgery	Initial 09/19/19	0	Annual self-study

Programs in preparation

Surgical Critical Care	pending	n/a	Pending
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*Initial Accreditation is followed in 18-24 months by a site-visit to determine if the program moves to Continued Accreditation. Continued Accreditation is subject to annual renewal with extension, addition or removal of citations based program reports of outcomes and metrics. Programs in Continued accreditation undergo scheduled site visits after a period of 5 to maximal 10 years.

Hospital Leadership and Operational Structure Changes:

Boca Raton Regional Hospital successfully merged with Baptist Health South Florida. The hospital's President and CEO, Jerry Fedele, retired and was succeeded by Lincoln Mendez in July 2019.

West Boca Medical Center's Chief Executive Officer, Mitch Feldman, retired and was succeeded by George Rizzuto in August 2019.

Delray Medical Center's Chief Executive Office, Mark Bryan, retired and Tenet Healthcare appointed Maggie Gill as new CEO, who also serves in the role of system CEO for the Tenet Healthcare facilities that are part of the FAU GME consortium.

Bethesda Hospital East's President and CEO, Roger Kirk, retired and Baptist Health South Florida appointed Nelson Lazo as new Chief Executive Officer, in December 2019.

Institutional Action Plans:

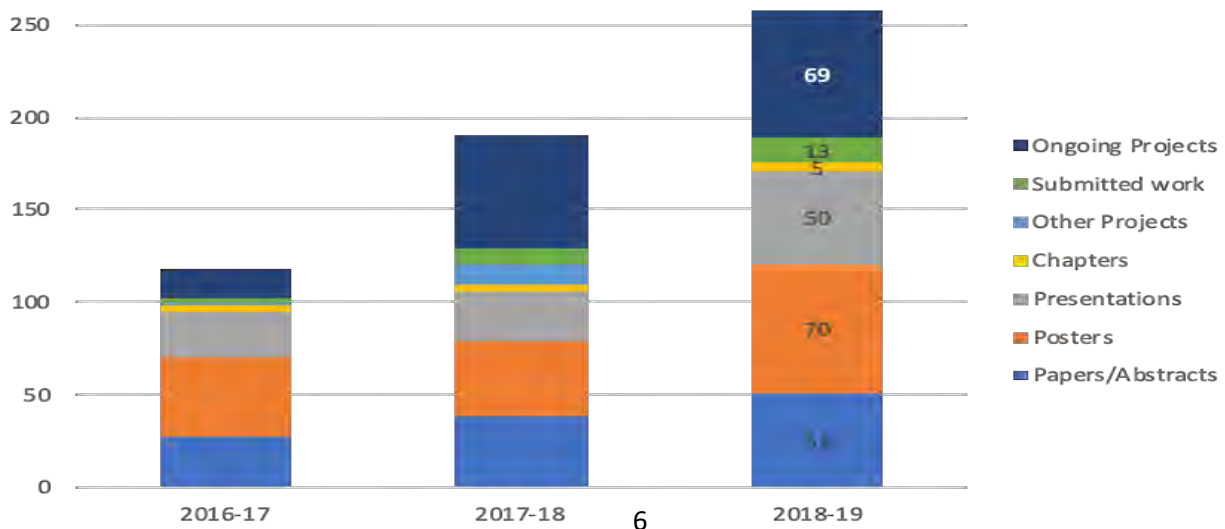
For the academic year 2018-19 the Institution determined the following areas as high priority for monitoring and improvement:

- Resident and Faculty engagement in scholarship and research
- Resident and faculty engagement in quality improvement and patient safety at the hospitals
- Resident well-being

The DIO and GMEC established three standing sub-committees to achieve its goals: the Committee on Scholarship and Research is chaired by Drs. DeDonno (MedEd) and Shi (EM); leadership of the Committee on Quality Improvement & Patient Safety was transitioned from Dr. Fahmy to Drs. Ferris (IM) and Brenner (Surgery); the Committee on Resident Well-being is chaired by Dr. Lizotte-Waniewsky [FAU COM]

Research and Scholarship:

Dr. DeDonno continued to build the foundation of scholarship by expanding research mentoring efforts across programs, working with institutional and consortium hospital IRBs, introducing the RedCap database system for use with resident projects. Programs increased their research/scholarship productivity by 35% and the inaugural Resident Research Showcase highlighted the success of these efforts, in April 2019.



Resident and faculty engagement in quality improvement and patient safety (QIPS):

GME received small grants from the consortium hospitals to support/reward resident engagement in QIPS. Several programs (IM, EM, Surgery) actively engaged in such projects.

A task force was created to establish an annual inter-program resident QIPS project competition, initially focused on BRRH and BHE.

BRRH/Baptist is scheduled to move forward with implementation of the National Surgery Quality Improvement Project (NSQIP) database and tools at primary site for the surgery program, BRRH. This will allow more active engagement of Surgery residents in QIPS and reporting of resident-level data.

Resident Well-being:

The institution joined the Collaborative for Healing and Renewal in Medicine (CHARM) in adopting of the Charter of Physician Wellbeing. Online resources related to wellness and burnout self-screening tools and the FAU wellness hub were augmented. Residents and fellows were given access to the Palm Beach County Medical Society wellness resources, and FAU Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) were made available to residents and fellows as a crisis resource. In addition, each program allocated budgeted funds to support resident/fellow wellness events and engaged in efforts to promote resident well-being. The Surgery program was chosen as participants in the national SECOND¹ trial. The Resident Council was provided with funding to host inter-program wellness events.

Based on the January – April 2019 ACGME resident surveys, each program engaged in efforts to address the following areas for improvement:

- Workload distribution, work-life balance and meaningfulness of work
- Respect for resident/fellows and ability to raise issues/concerns with out fear of intimidation or retribution
- Resident space at consortium hospitals (provision of adequate space, renovation of existing space, maintenance of space)

The Institution will continue to monitor these three areas as part of its 2019-2020 action plan.

Program Annual Reviews and Updates:

Each program conducted its Annual Program Evaluation and submitted its updates to the DIO before September 2019, in accordance with ACGME regulations. The DIO reviewed and approved the annual program WebADS updates.

¹ Well-being continues to be a pressing issue in surgical training; over 39% of U.S. general surgery residents experienced burnout symptoms, and various aspects of the learning environment may drive poor well-being. Programs and regulatory agencies have no data about performance on these issues and programs lack access to readily available, validated strategies to make improvements. The SECOND trial conduct a prospective, pragmatic cluster-randomized assessment on how the learning environment and well-being of residents can be improved.

Internal Medicine [IM]:

Dr. Sachin Sule continued in his role as Program Director. The program:

- Received continued accreditation effective January 25, 2019 with resolution of all previous citations (4), and the ACGME review committee congratulated the program on the efforts to address and resolve the prior areas of non-compliance and concern.
- Successfully transitioned 12 resident FTEs from DMC to BRRH and BHE and created new educational experiences (rotations) that augment the residents' educational experience.
- Created research focus groups and significantly increased scholarship engagement of its residents.
- In response to its resident surveys (Jan-Apr. of 2019) conducted a thorough review of areas of concern, involving the residents through townhall meetings, and developed a detailed action plan, centered around curricular improvements, resident evaluation and feedback, workload distribution and fatigue management, resident wellness, faculty engagement in education and scholarship, and the ability of residents and fellows to bring issues and concerns without fear or intimidation or retribution.
- Successfully recruited 24 categorical and 3 preliminary residents within the NRMP Match for the 2019-2020 academic year; in addition, 12 of 14 residents applying for fellowship successfully matched in their program/specialty of choice. Thirteen of 24 graduating resident chose to remain/practice in Florida and three residents were hired by consortium hospitals or their clinical partners.
- Reported a 97% first pass rate in the IM specialty board examination for its graduating residents, in line with previous years' performance.

Three core faculty members joined the program, including one of the program's recent resident graduates; the program is currently recruiting a new lead physician for its continuity clinics, and an administrative chief resident.

The program was acknowledged as one of the 15 most viewed programs in Florida (~ 250,000 page views, 263 programs) and one of the 10 most viewed Internal Medicine programs in the US by the American Medical Association's Fellowship and Residency Electronic Interactive Database Access System (ADA FREIDA™)

Geriatric Medicine [GM]:

Dr. Michael Silverman continued in his role as Program Director. The program:

- Received initial accreditation in April 2019 with a retroactive effective date of July 1, 2018. The ACGME Review Committee commended the program for its substantial compliance with all requirements without citations.
- Was approved for up to 2 fellows total in a one-year program.
- Successfully recruited its first fellows (to start July 2020).

The West Palm Beach Veterans Affairs Hospital was added as the primary site for the program. The anticipated date of its post-accreditation site visit is April 2021.

Hospice and Palliative Medicine [HPM]:

Dr. Elizabeth Gundersen continued in her role as Program Director. The program:

- Received initial accreditation in January 2019 with a retroactive effective date of July 1, 2018. The ACGME Review Committee commented on a well-conceived community hospital-based program and recommended that the program monitor the fellows' exposure to pediatric patients and involvement in interdisciplinary teams within the hospital.
- Was approved for 1 fellow per year in a one-year program.
- Successfully recruited a fellow for 2019 and 2020.

The approximate date of its post-accreditation site visit is July 2020.

Cardiovascular Disease Fellowship [CVD]:

Dr. Brij Maini continued in his role as Program Director. The program:

- Successfully underwent its post accreditation review and received continued accreditation without citations on 11/08/2019, effective 9/27/2019. The ACGME review committee outlined Faculty development as one area for close monitoring and improvement.
- Removed Drs. M Diaz, S Sanon removed as clinical (core) faculty and added Drs. J Vafai, H Khalili and B Ravaee, as clinical (core) faculty.

Surgery:

Dr. Thomas Genuit continued in his role as Program Director. The program:

- Increased its complement of residents from 35 to 37+4 residents.
- Closed its General Surgery rotation at DMC and redistributed 3 resident FTE to the General Surgery and Acute Care Surgery rotations at WBMC and SMMC
- Successfully recruited 6 categorical and 5 preliminary residents in the match and placed 4 residents into the value-added year at Harvard Medical School, Cleveland Clinic Florida and with the African College of Surgeons/G 4 Alliance.
- In response to its resident surveys (Jan-Apr. 2019) conducted a thorough review of the areas of concern, involving residents through a newly formed Resident Council, and developed a detailed action plan, centered around Resident involvement in program planning and self-governance, work load distribution, faculty engagement in education and scholarship, resident evaluation and feedback, resident engagement in QI efforts, and the ability of residents and fellows to bring issues and concerns without fear or intimidation or retribution.
- Successfully recruited two Trauma/Critical Care and one Endocrine surgeon, as well as an Assistant Director of Surgical Education [ADSE, part-time]. The program is currently in its final stages of recruiting a Director Surgical Research.
- Introduced flexibility to value-added year of scholarship (0, 1 and 2-year option).
- Successfully graduated its first class of residents with 100% first pass rate in the ABS specialty board examination and a 100% successful fellowship match rate. With this the program moved from "Continued Accreditation with Outcomes [monitoring]" to "Continued Accreditation without Outcomes [monitoring]". The program's two citations were related to details in

documentation and have been successfully addressed. The program's next ACGME site visit is anticipated in 2028.

The program is currently closely monitoring work hour compliance, case volumes (pancreas, endocrine, stomach) and faculty engagement in scholarship.

Vascular Surgery:

Dr. Joseph Ricotta continues in his role as Program Director. The program:

- Successfully completed its ACGME site visit July 21, 2019 and received initial accreditation, effective September 19, 2019, resolving all prior citations (3);
- Successfully recruited its first fellow (off cycle), who started clinical rotations in Nov. 2019.
- Currently is focused on addressing ACGME review committee areas of concern, centered around faculty development, resident/program evaluation, and 2nd-year fellow clinical experience in Vascular Surgery
- Added Drs. Jones and Mendez as full-time core clinical faculty whose

Neurology:

Dr. Daniel Kantor departed his role as Program Director and has been replaced by Dr. Patricio Espinosa, who serves in an interim capacity. A national search for a new permanent highly qualified Program Director will launch in February 2020. The program

- Successfully transitioned 2 resident FTE from DMC to BRRH.
- Successfully established a resident continuity clinic and inpatient/consulting services at BRRH, as well as a Pediatric Neurology rotation with West Palm Beach Neurology/SMMC.
- Successfully recruited 3 residents through the NRMP Match.

The Program's next (post-accreditation) ACGME site visit is scheduled for January 28, 2020.

Psychiatry:

Dr. Stuart Goldman continued in his role as the Program Director. The program:

- Successfully recruited 4 residents through the NRMP Match for 2019-2020.
- The program's core faculty was expanded to include an Associate Program Director and inpatient teaching faculty, as well as an inpatient consult liaison teaching faculty.
- Recruited a full-time program manager in October 2018.

The program underwent its post-accreditation site visit in April 2019; the accreditation decision is expected in the first quarter of the calendar year 2020.

After expert outside review, the program is undergoing expansion of its teaching faculty and is establishing partnership with an external multi-specialty Psychiatry group practice (PSC) and two local institutions (JFS, SCMHC) to establish essential outpatient and pediatric Psychiatry educational experiences for its residents for 2020-21.

The program was acknowledged as one of the 10 most viewed Psychiatry programs by the American Medical Association's Fellowship and Residency Electronic Interactive Database Access System (ADA

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Emergency Medicine [EM]:


Dr. Richard Shih transitioned from Program Director to Core Teaching Faculty and was replaced as Program Director by Dr. Lisa Clayton, former Associate Program Director, who serves in an interim capacity. A national search for a new permanent highly qualified Program Director will launch in February 2020. The program

- Successfully recruited 6 residents through the NRMP match. With this new complement of residents, the program is now filled across all years of training.
- Successfully completed its post-accreditation ACGME site visit and received status of Continued Accreditation, effective September 13, 2018, with resolution of its prior citation. The Review committee commented that the program should evaluate and closely monitor its individualized interactive curricular components and measure resident participation and learning outcomes.
- Transitioned program managers from Colleen Mayer to Joanne Daly and subsequently Taryn Santiago.
- Created new clinical experiences at BHE, DMC and SMMC in Pediatric Emergency Medicine, Critical Care and Trauma and changed to a monthly block structure.
- Secured a \$ 1M research grant to evaluate Geriatric Head Trauma Short-Term Outcomes (The GREAT STOP project)

New Program Development:

FAU COM in collaboration with SMMC is in the process of developing a fellowship program in Surgical Critical Care; the anticipated program start is 2021.

Respectfully submitted January 15, 2019



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**Florida Atlantic University
Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine
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May 27, 2020 Addendum**

This one-page addendum serves to provide several important updates and clarifications to the original report.

1. Updates:

- a. As follow up to the Neurology Residency Program ACGME site visit on 1-28-20, we were informed that the program received Continued Accreditation status from the ACGME in April 2020.
- b. As follow up to the Psychiatry Residency Program ACGME site visit in April 2019, we were informed that the program received Continued Accreditation status from the ACGME in May 2020.
- c. The national search for a new Designated Institutional Official and Associate Dean for GME resulted in the successful hiring of Dr. Curtis Whitehair, who joined the College of Medicine in May 2020. Dr. Whitehair is an internationally recognized medical educator and experienced physician administrator who has held significant leadership roles at Georgetown University Medical Center and the Med Star National Rehabilitation Network.

2. Clarifications and Corrections:

- a. The graph on page 5 should include Vascular Surgery among the listed programs. It matriculated its 1st fellow off-cycle in November 2019, and the total number of residents/fellows listed (n=160) is inclusive of this program.
- b. The statement on page 2 listing 4 continuing programs and 5 initial programs contrasts with the listing of 10 programs in the Table on page 5 because the Sponsoring Institution (which also undergoes accreditation) is listed in the table in addition to the 9 programs for a total of 10 items.
- c. The WPB-VAH is not listed in the header of Table 3 because it is not part of the GME consortium hospitals. Its designation as a primary site for Geriatric Medicine is listed in the section below the main table.
- d. In the General Surgery description on page 9 (first bullet), the phrase “37 + 4” is used rather than “41” in order to denote that there are 37 residents in active clinical training as well as 4 residents who are completing an optional “value-added” research experience of 1-2 years’ duration.
- e. In the General Surgery description on page 9 (third bullet), this description refers to the optional “value-added” research experience, which is being carried out in partnership with leading research programs nationally and internationally.