

Role of CAMPEP REPRC and Review of Residency Programs

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Role of CAMPEP REPRC

- REPRC manages the
 - ✓ Initial accreditation and re-accreditation of residency programs in medical physics, including residency portion of DMP programs
 - ✓ Appoints a Site Visit Team for each application
- REPRC members consists of
 - ✓ Experienced medical physicists who have extensive experience in education and clinical practice
- Objective of REPRC is
 - ✓ to ensure a residency program has met CAMPEP Residency Standards – accreditation serves as public recognition that a program provides a quality education and training



Accreditation Process

- Program submits self-study and application fee
- REPRC chair assigns Review Team
- Review Team completes initial review
- Review sent to PD for response
- Review Team evaluates program response
- Schedule Site Visit
- Review team prepares and submit final report to REPRC chair
- REPRC Review and Vote
- CAMPEP BOD review and Vote



Review Timeline

- Assigning Reviewers – 2 wk – 2 m
- Evaluation of Self-Study – 6 – 8 wk
- Response to Reviewers – 1 m – 2 m
- Scheduling Site Visit – 1 m – 3 m
- Report to REPRC Chair – 1 – 3 wk
- REPRC Review / Vote – 2 wk
- CAMPEP BOD Review / Vote – 2 wk

~6 m – 11m process



Self-Study Preparation

Program Name

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New application
Template



3. Admissions

- 3.1 *Residents entering a medical physics residency educational program shall have a strong foundation in basic physics. This shall be demonstrated either by an undergraduate or graduate degree in physics, or by a degree in an engineering discipline or another of the physical sciences and with coursework that is the equivalent of a minor in physics (i.e., one that includes at least three upper-level undergraduate physics courses that would be required for a physics major).*

In addition, residents must either have graduated from a CAMPEP-accredited graduate program, or possess a PhD in physics or related discipline and have completed a CAMPEP-accredited certificate program. Individuals with other qualifications who have completed coursework that satisfies the CAMPEP standards for graduate education may be considered in exceptional circumstances at the discretion of the program director.

Provide a list of residents admitted, current residents, and residents completing your program in Appendices D, E, and F.

- 3.2 *The didactic requirements for entering a residency program shall be completed prior to the beginning of clinical education, with the exception of up to two remedial courses, which may be taken for a two-year residency program without extending the duration of the residency program. The two remedial course requirement does not apply to residency programs that are three years or longer. If a residency program conditionally admits applicants with deficiencies in their academic background, the remedial education of such residents shall be well-defined. Courses used for remediation must have been assessed and approved by CAMPEP.*

- 3.3 *Admission standards including degrees and graduate transcripts, for incoming residents are clearly stated.*

Provide the URL where this information can be found.



- 3.4 *The method of processing an application, including evaluating the application and informing the applicant of actions taken, shall be clearly stated.*

Each CAMPEP Standard needs to be addressed



Review Team

- Is volunteer-based and chosen from experienced medical physicists and physicians who are involved in residency education and training
- Are familiar with CAMPEP's criteria and knowledgeable about both technical and administrative aspects of residency programs
 - ✓ **New Program** – team consists of 2 or 3 medical physicists as well as 1 physician (only for therapy)
 - ✓ **Re-accreditation** – team consists of 2 or 3 medical physicists



Site Visit

- Gives an opportunity to evaluate all aspects of the program – allows meeting with PD, resident(s), faculty, staff and administrators, evaluation of facilities, residency records, discuss concerns, etc.

- ✓ New Programs – scheduled after recruitment of 1st resident

Effective September 1, 2020, residency programs must be provisionally accredited before admitting a resident.

- ✓ Re-accreditation – scheduled at least every 10 years after initial accreditation
- ✓ Virtual Site Visits – due to COVID-19



Thank you for your attention!

