

<p style="text-align: center;">TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER AT EL PASO Paul L. Foster School of Medicine GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION Policy</p>
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TITLE: Closures & Reductions Policy

PURPOSE: The Sponsoring Institution must maintain a Closure and Reductions policy that addresses GMEC oversight of reductions in size or closure of each of its ACGME-accredited accredited programs, or closure of the Sponsoring Institution.

REVIEW: This policy will be reviewed every two years by the Graduate Medical Education Committee (GMEC).

POLICY STATEMENT: The Sponsoring Institution must inform the GMEC, DIO, and affected residents/fellows as soon as possible when it intends to reduce the size of or close one or more ACGME-accredited programs, or when the Sponsoring Institution intends to close.

The Sponsoring Institution must allow residents/fellows already in an affected ACGME-accredited program(s) to complete their education at the Sponsoring Institution, or assist them in enrolling in another ACGME accredited program(s) in which they can continue their education

Closure or Reduction of Program:

In the event a Program Director determines the need exists to reduce the size of or closure of an ACGME or Non-ACGME accredited graduate medical program, the Program Director will first confer with the Designated Institutional Official (DIO) and the Chair of the Graduate Medical Education Committee (GMEC). The DIO will confer with the Dean of the School of Medicine.

As soon as the above consideration to reduce or close a training program occurs, the item will be placed on the upcoming GMEC agenda. The discussion will focus on the impact of the change to the other programs. Voting will take place for an action plan and final decision on the motion.

Upon deliberation and decision by the GMEC, the Program Director, in conjunction with representatives of the GME office, will notify each affected resident/fellow in writing at the earliest possible date.

Closure of the Sponsoring Institution:

The Sponsoring Institution must inform the GMEC, DIO, and affected residents/ fellows as soon as possible when it intends to reduce the size of or close one or more ACGME-accredited programs, or when the Sponsoring Institution intends to close.