

Frequently Asked Questions: Plastic Surgery

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| Resident Transfers-Integrated Programs | |
| <p>What are the transfer criteria for an integrated program?</p> <p>[Program Requirements Int.B.1, Int.B.1.a)-b); and III.C., III.C.1-3]</p> | <p>TRANSFER CRITERIA FOR INTEGRATED PROGRAMS DEFINED</p> <p>The Committee and the ABPS agreed to the following “transfer” criteria for all integrated programs.</p> <p>If residents have completed fewer than five years of a general surgery residency, the following criteria must be met:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Residents may only transfer into PGY-1, PGY-2, or PGY-3 levels of a plastic surgery integrated program. 2. The last four years must be completed within the same program. 3. The prior program director must provide certification of completed years of education. 4. Transfers beginning in the PGY-1 and -2 years must transfer from an ACGME-accredited surgery, neurological surgery, orthopaedic surgery, otolaryngology, or urology residency program. 5. Transfers beginning in PGY-3 year must have competed an ACGME-accredited general surgery, thoracic surgery, or plastic surgery residency, or will require individual consideration by the Review Committee. 6. The receiving program director must verify the completed curriculum of the transferring resident 7. A letter of support from the “transferring out” program director must be provided. 8. Block diagrams of all completed rotations must be provided. 9. The transfer must receive ABPS approval and the program must provide this documentation in its request. 10. If a temporary increase in complement is needed by the receiving program in order to accept the transferring resident, the request must be entered into ADS. 11. Approval from the Review Committee must be received before the resident enters the program. |
| Duty Hours | |
| <p>Are there any circumstances under which residents may stay on duty to care for their patients or return to the hospital with fewer than eight hours free of duty?</p> <p>[Program Requirement VI.G.5.c).(1)]</p> | <p>Yes. Such circumstances include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. continuity of care for patients, such as for: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. a patient on whom a resident operated/intervened that day who needs to return to the operating room (OR); b. a patient on whom a resident operated/intervened that day who requires transfer to the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) from a lower level of care; c. a patient on whom a resident operated/intervened that day who is in the ICU and is critically unstable; d. a patient on whom a resident operated/intervened during that |

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| | <p>hospital admission, and who needs to return to the OR for a reason related to the procedure previously performed by the resident; or, a patient or patient's family with whom a resident needs to discuss the limitation of treatment/DNR/DNI orders for a critically-ill patient on whom the resident operated.</p> <p>2. a declared emergency or disaster, for which the residents are included in the disaster plan; or, to perform high profile, low frequency procedures necessary for competence in the field.</p> |
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