

II. Program Personnel and Resources

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Common Program Requirement:

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The institution and the program must jointly ensure the availability of adequate resources for resident education, as defined in the specialty program requirements. [As further specified by the Review Committee]

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Residents must have ready access to specialty-specific and other appropriate reference material in print or electronic format. Electronic medical literature databases with search capabilities should be available.

Explanation:

The **resources** listed below represent general requirements contained in the [Institutional Requirements](#) (IR II.F.) that must be available for all programs.

- Laboratory facilities
- Imaging facilities/diagnostic radiology
- Chart, dictation and record keeping
- Access to computers
- IV support
- Phlebotomy support
- Patient transport
- Transport for specimens, radiographs, etc.
- Nursing support
- Clerical support for patient care

Institutions are responsible for providing ready **access to reference material** in print or electronic format (IR I.B.7.). Program sites that have online reference materials are expected to provide access to residents. Typically, this means that residents have access to computers with internet access in rooms that are conveniently located and easily accessible but secure. If online access is not possible, then access to a collection of specialty-specific print materials is required.

There may be additional specialty-specific requirements that could address resources such as space/equipment/support services for the educational activities of the program, resources for specific clinical activities, or adequate defined patient population(s) for specific clinical activities. Program directors should consult their specialty specific requirements.