

## **IX. Residents' Participation & Representation on Institutional Committees and Counsels**

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Residents (“trainees”) must have appropriate representation on institutional committees and counsels whose actions effect their education and patient care. Residents are strongly encouraged to participate in institutional programs and medical staff activities to further their education and professional development. They must be knowledgeable about, and adhere to, established practices, procedures, and policies of each institution, and should participate in the educational experiences and activities of their training program.

It is up to individual program directors to determine if the time trainees spend participating on institutional committees, including the GMEC, and in external organizations should be counted towards overall work hour requirement limits

### **I. The Graduate Medical Education Committee (GMEC)**

In accordance with Section I.B. of the ACGME Institutional Requirements, a Sponsoring Institution with multiple ACGME-accredited programs must have a GMEC that includes at least a minimum of two peer-selected residents/fellows from among its ACGME-accredited programs.

- a. Subcommittees that address required GMEC responsibilities must include a peer-selected resident/fellow.
- b. Each meeting of the GMEC must include attendance by at least one resident/fellow member.

### **II. Institutional Committees**

The GME Office advocates on behalf of the Tulane residency programs to ensure that residents have representation on institutional and departmental committees and on committees at affiliated training institutions. Residents are encouraged to contact the offices of academic affairs at those institutions to determine which committees are accepting resident members.

### **III. External Organizations**

Trainees are also encouraged to participate in external organizations, including local and national specialty and subspecialty organizations.