Policy on In-training Examination Accessibility

BACKGROUND

The purpose of the American Board of Emergency Medicine (ABEM) In-training Examination is to provide one piece of information to Emergency Medicine residents and their faculty to supplement other evaluation information that may be used to determine the residents’ degree of preparedness for taking the ABEM Qualifying Examination.

POLICY

This policy applies only to currently enrolled residents and physicians who are advance-matched into an Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME)– or the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada–accredited, or American Board of Medical Specialties–approved Emergency Medicine residency training program. Only such physicians who graduate from their residency on or after the first day of the annual testing window are eligible to take the In-training Examination. For residents and advance-matched physicians of newly accredited ACGME programs, the ACGME accreditation decision must be made effective on or before November 1 of the year prior to the examination administration to be eligible to take the In-training Examination.

PROCEDURES

ABEM prepares and sends In-training Examination registration rosters to all participating training programs using the resident and program information collected during the annual Training Information Survey and In-training Examination registration processes.

Residency programs pay the established fee for each resident registered to take the In-training Examination. Please refer to the Policy on Fees for more information.

Residency programs participating in an In-training Examination administration will receive examination results for all residents registered to take the examination from their program, including any advance-matched physicians. However, the examination feedback for advance-matched physicians will consist of individual resident-level feedback only, since their results are not integrated into the cumulative residency program examination results for the programs under which they are registered.

EXCEPTION

Physician eligibility is available to ABEM-approved, ACGME-International–accredited, Emergency Medicine programs.

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