

Charleston Area Medical Center
Office of Graduate Medical Education

Extraordinary Circumstances- Substantial Disruption in Patient Care or Education

To define the basic procedures and responsibilities necessary to effectively reconstitute or restructure resident/fellow training experiences in the event of a disaster or other substantial disruption in patient care or education including information about assistance for the continuation of salary, benefits, professional liability coverage and resident/fellow assignments.

Definition of an Extraordinary Circumstance

An extraordinary circumstance is an event or set of events causing significant alteration to the residency and/or fellowship experience at one or more residency and/or fellowship programs. Examples of extraordinary circumstances include abrupt hospital closures, natural disasters, or a catastrophic loss of funding.

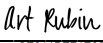
PROCEDURES

In the event of extraordinary circumstances impacting the graduate medical education programs sponsored by Charleston Area Medical Center, the GMEC establishes this policy to protect the well-being, safety and educational experience of residents/fellows enrolled in our training programs. If the DIO anticipates a disruption to the clinical experience and/or educational environment for a period greater than 45 days, the DIO or designee will call for a meeting with the GMEC or GMEC Executive Committee to determine the need to invoke the steps outlined in ACGME Extraordinary Circumstances policy and procedures manual.

Charleston Area Medical Center will follow the current ACGME Policies and Procedures outlined in the Policies and Procedures Manual Section titled “ACGME Policy and Procedures to Address Extraordinary Circumstances” if, as the sponsoring institution, it has been determined that CAMC’s ability to support graduate medical education has been significantly altered, and the institution needs to request invocation of the Extraordinary Circumstances policy.

Under the guidance and direction of the ACGME, CAMC will abide by all outlined policies and procedures in ACGME’s policy including, but not limited to, the development and communication of a plan addressing the continuation of salaries, benefits, professional liability coverage and residency/fellowship assignments.

Signatures:

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