Faculty Qualifications
Review Committee for Surgery

Faculty members are a foundational element of graduate medical education. At each participating site, there must be a sufficient number of faculty members with competence to instruct and supervise all residents at that location. Non-American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) or non-American Osteopathic Board of Surgery (AOBS) faculty members must adhere to the following ACGME Common Program Requirements:

II.B.3. **Faculty Qualifications**

II.B.3.a) **Faculty members must have appropriate qualifications in their field and hold appropriate institutional appointments. (Core)**

II.B.3.b) **Physician faculty members must:**

II.B.3.b).(1) **have current certification in the specialty by the** American Board of Surgery **or the** American Osteopathic Board of Surgery**, or possess qualifications judged acceptable to the Review Committee. (Core)**

II.B.3.c) **Any non-physician faculty members who participate in residency program education must be approved by the program director. (Core)**

All physician faculty members who are not currently ABMS-board certified must be approved by the Review Committee. In such a case, the proposed faculty member's full curriculum vitae must be submitted for review along with a cover letter signed by the program director and the designated institutional official.

Email the request to:
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Prior to submission of the Accreditation Data System (ADS) Annual Update, programs should ensure that all faculty certification documentation is complete in ADS. Each faculty member should have a designated certification status as listed below. With the exception of, "Time-unlimited," all other categories of certification should have an original certification date and a recertification date where applicable.

Certification Status Categories in ADS:
R = Re-Certified
O = Time Limited/Original Currently Valid
L = Certification Lapsed
N = Time-unlimited
M = MOC/CC Requirements
C = Osteopathic Continuous Certification