

2020 Graduate Medical Education - Statement of Understanding (ACTIVE DUTY)

NAME (PRINT) _____

- a. Individuals applying for active duty (AD) training in other than Air Force (AF) medical facilities will be considered for AF or other DoD training programs before being considered for civilian sponsorship. AF members cannot give final acceptance to a program offer until official written notification of final selection for that program is provided by the AF. AF members choosing civilian programs with rotations away from the primary teaching facility may be required to participate in these rotations at their own expense.
- b. Individuals applying for subspecialty training, who have completed basic residency training more than three years prior to application, will be required to have board certification in the basic specialty in order to be considered for further training.
- c. Applications for second residencies must have a minimum of five years of practice experience after completion of initial residency; be board certified in their initial specialty; and be in the grade of lieutenant colonel or below before being considered for training in a second residency.
- d. I understand if I am selected for and subsequently enter a graduate medical education (GME) program under AF sponsorship, in either a military or civilian facility, I will incur an active duty service commitment (ADSC) for education and training. This ADSC is computed in accordance with AFI 36-2107, *Active Duty Service Commitments*, in effect at the time my training program will commence. I will receive written notification of my selection status and projected ADSC following completion of the JSGMESB. I further understand I have a personal responsibility to review and verify my ADSC in accordance with applicable AF Instructions.
- e. I understand that if I am non-selected for promotion to Lt Col or below, I will be ineligible for GME training. I agree that if I am twice non-selected for promotion during GME training or upon completion of GME training I will remain in AD until such time as I have fulfilled the ADSC associated with the training, even if that commitment will extend beyond what would otherwise be the date of my release from AD as a result of non-selection for promotion. I understand that Title 10 public law mandates the completion of all Health Professions ADSC prior to separating the AF, regardless of non-selection of promotion. I agree to accept selective continuation on AD, if offered, rather than request separation as a result of being twice non-selected for promotion.
- f. I will maintain a current, valid and unrestricted state medical license and will only apply for or accept training through the NRMP / civilian match process in a specialty and length of training as approved by the JSGMESB.
- g. If I am in my first post graduate year (PGY1), I will take USMLE/COMLEX Step/Level 3 no later than **15 March of my PGY1**. If selected for training, I must complete all academic requirements of my current internship program before I will be authorized release to a new training program. I understand that my selection for GME is contingent upon providing Physician Education a passing USMLE/COMLEX Step/Level 3 score by **30 April of my PGY1**.
- h. If I am in my PGY2 year, I will include USMLE/COMLEX Step/Level 3 results in my JSGMESB application package by the **15 October** deadline.
- i. In accordance with AFI 44-102, paragraph 2.27, I understand that I am prohibited from pursuing off-duty employment (i.e., moonlighting) while in training. Physician Education has the authority to remove me from training in the event off-duty employment occurs.
- j. If I am selected for training in civilian sponsored status, I will remain on AD under the command/control of AFIT. I am prohibited from receiving a salary, stipend, or other monetary awards, other than my AD entitlements.
- k. Selected for promotion with anticipated pin-on **PRIOR TO** separating into the Physician Re-deferment Program: If I am selected by an AD promotion board and my pin-on date occurs prior to my separation, I will separate in the new grade.
- l. Selected for promotion with anticipated pin-on **AFTER** separating into the Physician Re-deferment Program: If I am selected by an AD promotion board and my pin-on date occurs after my separation, I will be eligible for promotion based on Reserve rules in effect during the time of my re-deferment.
- m. I understand, if I am selected by the JSGMESB, I will be required to work in a clinical capacity (in the specialty to which I trained) for at least two years after GME completion, unless the AF/SG waives this requirement due to the needs of the AF mission.
- n. If I have any questions regarding special pays and if the ADSC associated with this GME training will affect my pay, I will contact the Total Force Service Center at 1-800-525-0102 and ask for Medical Special Pays. If selected for GME, my training ADSC will be calculated by the Physician Education office.

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____