

University of Pikeville Kentucky College of Osteopathic Medicine Office of the Dean

ACGME Accredited GME

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Purpose

University of Pikeville – Kentucky College of Osteopathic Medicine provides mechanisms to assist new and existing graduate medical education (GME) programs in meeting the requirements for accreditation by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME).

Policy and Description

KYCOM places great emphasis on the importance of assisting new and existing GME programs. We do this through a structured, mission-driven approach that aligns with COCA standards. KYCOM has established an office of GME. That office is staffed by the Designated Institutional Officer (DIO) and a Director of Graduate Medical Education. The office of GME reports to and is supported by a representative group from the University Board of Trustees.

KYCOM provides support for new and existing GME programs in a number of ways. We work with our existing rotation core sites to support development of core competency curriculum. Focus areas include osteopathic principles, patient-centered care, and clinical skills. We also provide annual professional development sessions for the core sites so that they are provided the most up-to-date guidelines on clinical training standards as set by KYCOM, COCA, and the ACGME. KYCOM continually works to establish and maintain affiliations with hospital and clinic systems to secure training sites for UME and GME opportunities. We intend to apply for ACGME Sponsoring Institution Accreditation July 2025. Discussions are currently ongoing with an affiliated core site hospital system to partner with KYCOM to establish a primary care residency. Those discussions include ACGME training standards, program staffing, curriculum, partners needed to support the curriculum, and funding. Finally, KYCOM facilitates the transition from UME to GME. We provide our students support in career advising, residency application support, CV development, and mock interviews. Ideally, GME programs that we support or develop will attract our graduates and that will assist in ensuring sustainability.



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