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Subject: Eligibility Policy

Dear Program Directors,

I am writing to remind you to update all web sites and other residency and fellowship program information about our updated residency and fellowship eligibility policy. The full policy, approved by the GMEC last year is at:

<http://medschool.ucsf.edu/gme/pdf/RevisedEligibility-SelectionPolicyMay2009.pdf>

Most relevant for current applicants to UCSF GME programs is the updated policy stating:

A passing score on USMLE Step II (CS and CK) is required for all trainees beginning a UCSF GME program June 2010 and later. To meet this requirement, programs must rank only candidates who have passed USMLE Step II (CS and CK).

Each program should check ERAS for a final time February 15, 2010 to ensure that all ranked candidates have passed the exam. Programs with early matches, will have to obtain this data at dates appropriate for their rank order list deadlines. Please communicate these deadlines to all applicants.

I have received several concerned emails about this policy, and I suspect you have as well. We will do our very best to get this information out as widely as possible to prevent any confusion during this first year of the new policy.

During this first transition year, there may need to be an exception or two for students for whom this deadline has been impossible to meet. (MSTP students who have not completed their clinical year until March, students for whom there is truly no test site availability, etc). Please let me know about each of these exceptions for discussion and approval. Remember though, we will not credential trainees who have not passed the exams prior to starting internship.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Bobby B.