

**Frequently Asked Questions: Obesity Medicine/Bariatric Medicine
Review Committee-International
ACGME-I**

Question	Answer
Category: Sponsoring Institution	
<p>What are circumstances in which the Review Committee would consider the fellowship to be negatively impacting the education of residents in the affiliated internal medicine, family medicine, and/or pediatrics residency program?</p> <p><i>[Advanced Specialty Program Requirement: I.A.2.]</i></p>	<p>Some examples of negative impact on a residency program include: if only fellows are assigned to obesity medicine/bariatric medicine clinics; or if only fellows can provide care for these patients. Such circumstances would diminish the amount of clinical experience available to residents. If faculty members are limited to providing didactics or mentoring research projects for only fellows, this could limit or exclude these learning opportunities for residents.</p>
Category: Clinical Experiences	
<p>When a requirement indicates that a clinical experience must be for a specific time period (such as at least 80 hours) over the course of the program, how is the length of the experience counted?</p> <p><i>[Advanced Specialty Program Requirements: IV.C.2.a); IV.C.3.a); IV.C.4.a) and b); IV.C.6.a); IV.C.7.a)]</i></p>	<p>The experience can be integrated and spread throughout the curriculum occurring, for example, during a multidisciplinary clinic. When the experience is integrated, the program director should estimate the time a fellow is engaged in the specific clinical activity indicated in the requirement. These experiences may also be completed during a specific rotation; however, when a specific rotation is used, it should be completed as blocks of no less than two full-time equivalent weeks.</p>