



Program Director's Newsletter

April 2022

Draft II of CPME 320 and 330 Available Soon

After releasing Draft I of the CPME 320 and 330 in fall 2020, the Council reviewed the comments from the community of interest, the questions from the town halls, the responses to the online survey, and resolutions passed at the APMA House of Delegates on Draft I of the revised CPME publications 320 and 330.

At its April 2021 meeting, the Council reviewed the documents and elected to create two tracks to assist in continued revisions of the documents:

- Create a Blue Ribbon Panel of experts in competency-based assessment and education, comprised of members of the academic, podiatric, and graduate medical education communities, to study clinical competency and milestones, and make a recommendation to the Council on the implementation of milestones in residencies in podiatric medicine and surgery.
- Send Draft 1 back to the Ad Hoc Committee for further revision, accepting modifications to the document for Standards 1 - 5, and incorporating suggestions and recommendations from the community of interest with particular focus on Standards 6 and 7:

At the Council's spring 2022 meeting, Draft II of the CPME 320 and 330 documents were approved. These documents include revisions made by the Ad Hoc Committee and submissions from the Blue Ribbon Panel on Milestone Education. The proposed document revisions are currently being prepared to be disseminated to the community of interest including a public forum for comment.

The revised CPME 320 and 330 documents will be posted at www.cpme.org under the Residencies tab in the Residency Documents and Forms link. We expect these drafts will be posted in the next few weeks. Once the comment period closes, CPME will review the feedback received to determine next steps in adopting the revised documents.

2022 Statement on COVID and MAVs

Recognizing the continued impact COVID-19 is having on residency training programs, including postponed elective surgeries, CPME has once again decided to implement temporary modifications of the requirements, based on the current standards and requirements published in CPME publication 320, *Standards and Requirements for Approval of Podiatric Medicine and Surgery Residencies* for residents in the 2022 graduation year. Effective immediately, CPME has decreased the required MAVs (minimum activity volume) by 10% for all categories. Residents with excess volume in surgical categories 4 (Other Osseous Foot Surgery) and 5 (Reconstructive Rearfoot/Ankle) may apply the excess volume to categories 1-3 with a limit of up to 7 procedures applied to category 1 (Digital), 5 procedures applied to category 2 (First Ray), and 4 procedures applied to category 3 (Other Soft Tissue Foot Surgery) to supplement categories 1-3 if needed to achieve the reduced MAVs. The diversity requirements will also be waived for residents completing training in 2022. **The program director is responsible to ensure that the graduating resident possesses the necessary training and competence for practice regardless of the number of experiences or established MAVs.**

New Logging Code

Based on a recommendation from ABFAS, CPME has added the following logging code:

5.2.8 ankle arthrotomy/**arthroscopy** with removal of loose body or other osteochondral debridement.

Clarification has been added to 5.2.1 to state “without removal of loose body or other osteochondral debridement.”

New Policies

The Council has approved the following two policies related to resident transfers:

Resident Transfer in the Third Year (April 2022)

Residents must spend at least eleven months of training in the program that awards the certificate. This policy will not impact residents who must transfer due to a program that is closing.

Program Directors Must Provide Completed Assessments for Transfer Residents (April 2022)

Program directors are required to provide copies of completed assessment forms to a program director accepting a transfer resident, regardless of the reason the resident has left the previous residency program.

All updated policies are available on the CPME website as the [Residency Policies Document](#).

New Links for CPME Documents

To assist program directors and to ensure outside publications always have the accurate URL for CPME documents, CPME asks that programs use the following links whenever referencing CPME 320, *Standards and Requirements for Approval of Podiatric Medicine and Surgery Residencies*, CPME 330, *Procedures for Approval of Podiatric Medicine and Surgery Residencies*, and the Residency Policies Document:

- www.cpme.org/cpme320
- www.cpme.org/cpme330
- www.cpme.org/residencypolicies

2022 Fall On-Site Evaluations to be In-Person

At the Council's spring 2022 meeting, the Council accepted and approved the RRC's recommendation to conduct all residency and fellowship on-site evaluation visits scheduled for the fall of 2022 in-person.

RRC Meetings and Program Submission Due Dates

Listed below are the scheduled meetings and conference calls for the RRC and the deadline for submission of materials to be considered at each. This schedule is updated semi-annually, after the spring and fall meetings of the RRC.

Submission Deadline	Conference Call or Meeting
February 11, 2022	March 25-26, 2022
May 15, 2022	May 25, 2022
November 1, 2022 <i>Last day to submit application for increase in positions for the 2023-2024 training year prior to CRIP</i>	December 2022
January 15, 2023 <i>Last day to submit application for increase in positions for the 2023-2024 training year prior to the Match</i>	February 2023
February 10, 2023	March 24-25, 2023
The RRC will review applications for program transfers on an ongoing basis via e-ballot should these be submitted outside of the normal review cycle.	

Membership of the Council and RRC

The following individuals serve on the Council on Podiatric Medical Education.

- Keith Cook, DPM (chair)
- John T. Marcoux, DPM (vice chair)
- Jennifer Mathews, PhD (public member)
- Robert Joseph, DPM (educator member)
- Rodney Peele, JD (public member)
- Harry Schneider, DPM (at-large)
- Eric Stamps, DPM (at-large)
- Susan R. Stapleton, PhD (postsecondary educator)
- Alyssa Stephenson, DPM (at-large)
- Melanie Violand, DPM (at-large)
- Steven Vyce, DPM (at-large)

The following individuals serve on the Residency Review Committee. Each organization represented is identified.

- John T. Marcoux, DPM (RRC chair, CPME)
- Keith Cook (ex-officio)
- Danae Lowell, DPM (at-large)
- Andrew Meyr, DPM (COTH)
- Rosemay Michel, DPM (ABPM)
- Aksone Nouvong, DPM (ABFAS)
- James Sang, DPM (ABPM)
- Harry Schneider, DPM (CPME)
- Michael Vardaahl, DPM (ABFAS)
- Steven Vyce, DPM (CPME)