The GMDEC supports carefully designed projects that may promote new methods of high quality learning and patient care in the settings where residents learn and practice.

Programs that wish to apply for experimentation or innovative projects that may deviate from the ACGME institutional, common and/or specialty specific program requirements must be reviewed by the GMDEC and the DIO prior to submission to the ACGME for review, and must be overseen in all phases, specifically as follows:

a) Approval prior to submission to the ACGME and/or respective Review Committee;
b) Adherence to Procedures for “Approving Proposals for Experimentation or Innovative Projects” in ACGME Policies and Procedures and,
c) Monitoring quality of education provided to residents for the duration of such a project.

In preparing requests, the program director must follow Procedures for Approving Proposals for Experimentation or Innovative Projects located in the ACGME Manual on Policies and Procedures. Once a Review Committee approves a project, the GMDEC and program are jointly responsible for the quality of education offered to residents for the duration of such a project.

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