SUBJECT: Request Not to Participate in Care

INTENT: Residents should not be forced to participate in activities that they morally oppose.

POLICY STATEMENT: The GMEC recognizes that residents may have moral reservations about certain policies and procedures.

DESCRIPTION:

1. Residents should not be required to participate in patient care or educational activities that they feel are inappropriate or immoral.

2. Residents should notify the program director about which specific activities where they feel they cannot participate. Program directors should discuss with the resident any impact this may have on the residents training.

3. Should the resident feel uncomfortable speaking to the program director, then the resident should contact the Associate Dean for GME/DIO.

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