



Guidelines for Resumption of Electives

As previously circulated, electives will resume as of July 1 2020 for all universities. Below is a list of issues to consider when a request for an elective is received:

Outgoing Electives:

- The elective must be approved by both the home program and the receiving institution and program
- Residents should be advised to check and monitor the local requirements for self-isolation –these are subject to change and differ by province, city, and specific hospital site
- Residents will not be able to undertake electives if there is an existing requirement for 14 day isolation period prior to starting the educational experience.
- Residents leaving for out-of-province electives must be aware of the possible requirement for self-isolation at the time of return to Alberta.

Incoming Electives:

- The elective must be approved by both the home program and the receiving institution and program
- At the moment there is no requirement for mandatory self-isolation on arrival to Alberta. This is subject to change and incoming elective residents should be advised to monitor the appropriate AHS websites for updates.
- As part of preparation for incoming electives, PGME will provide the resident with a copy of the current questionnaire that is required of all health care workers on arrival at a health care facility.
- Incoming elective residents will be required to complete a PPE SIM to ensure familiarity with appropriate donning and doffing techniques. This will be organized by PGME in conjunction with ATSSL.

It is strongly encouraged that a contingency plan is developed for elective experiences in the event that there is need for last-minute cancellation both for incoming and outgoing residents.

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