

Core Faculty Support Discussion

Background

- As of 2025 all subspecialties under ABIM include a core requirement (enforceable by citation) for minimum cFTE for core faculty (independent of PD cFTE requirements)
- Allergy & Immunology and ABP do NOT currently have this requirement
- Core Faculty:
 - Significant role in the education and supervision of fellows and devote a significant portion of their effort to education and/or administration. Must teach, evaluate and provide feedback to fellows.

Example

Number of Approved Fellow Positions	Minimum Number of ABIM or AOBIM Subspecialty-Certified Core Faculty Members (one being the associate program director)	Minimum Support Required (FTE) for Program Director	Minimum Aggregate FTE for Associate Program Director(s)	Minimum Aggregate FTE for Core Faculty	Total Minimum FTE for Program Director, Associate Program Director(s), and Core Faculty
1-3	3	0.20	0.15		0.35
4-6	3	0.20	0.20		0.40
7-9	4	0.25	0.13	0.20	0.58
10-12	6	0.30	0.14	0.20	0.64
13-15	8	0.35	0.15	0.20	0.70
16-18	10	0.40	0.16	0.20	0.76
19-21	12	0.45	0.17	0.25	0.87
22-24	14	0.50	0.18	0.25	0.93
25-27	16	0.50	0.24	0.25	0.99
28-30	18	0.50	0.30	0.25	1.05
31-33	20	0.50	0.36	0.25	1.11
34-36	22	0.50	0.42	0.30	1.22
37-39	24	0.50	0.48	0.30	1.28
40-42	26	0.50	0.54	0.30	1.34
43-45	28	0.50	0.60	0.30	1.40
46-48	30	0.50	0.66	0.30	1.46
49-51	32	0.50	0.72	0.30	1.52
52-54	34	0.50	0.78	0.30	1.58

Discussion

- Pro's
 - cFTE support for APD and/or core faculty for currently unfunded work
- Con
 - Enforceable by citation if not in compliance
 - Institutions that can't provide financial support for additional cFTE?
 - Programs could potentially lose accreditation?
 - Barrier for new programs if institution can't fund?

Comments?