



Report of the Council on Podiatric Medical Education – October 2022

The Council on Podiatric Medical Education (CPME or Council) held its fall meeting in Pompano Beach, Florida on October 21, 2022. The recommendations emanating from Council committees, which completed their deliberations at meetings and conference calls held from September-October, constitute the majority of each CPME agenda and include the review of reports from the colleges of podiatric medicine. The Continuing Education Committee (CEC), Residency Review Committee (RRC), and the Collaborative Residency Evaluator Committee (CREC) all held meetings in September. The Accreditation Committee and the Council's Budget Planning and Executive Committees held their meetings October 18-20, 2022.

CPME Bylaw and Policy Changes

The Council updated the *CPME Bylaws* at the October meeting to add the definition of a consultant. An additional bylaw revision approved at the meeting and eligible for adoption at the spring meeting of the Council includes updating the number of representatives on the Residency Review Committee to include two representatives from the AACPM Council of Teaching Hospitals instead of one and including two at-large representatives from residency programs instead of one. The Council updated the *CPME Policies and Miscellaneous Documents* section on Accreditation and Evaluation Fees and Other Assessments. The updated *CPME Bylaws* and the *CPME Policies and Miscellaneous Documents* can be found at www.cpme.org.

The Council's next meeting will take place in person in Bethesda, MD at APMA HQs April 21-22, 2023.

CPME Residency Documents Adopted – CPME 320 and CPME 330

Following a call for comment period from the community of interest, CPME has adopted the revisions to CPME 320, *Standards and Requirements for Approval of Podiatric Medicine and Surgery Residencies* and CPME 330, *Procedures for Approval of Podiatric Medicine and Surgery Residencies*, **except for Appendix C, Milestones**.

The Council elected to defer making a decision related to Appendix C, Milestones. CPME will survey the community of interest related to the required use of Milestones in residency training and will revisit this issue at its April 2023 meeting.

The newly approved documents will have an implementation date of July 2023. The Council will provide live and virtual training for program directors throughout 2023.

The new documents and dates and locations for training will be widely disseminated and are published on the Council's website.

Council Elections

At the October CPME meeting, Drs. Keith Cook and John Marcoux were installed for their second one-year terms as chair and vice-chair, respectively, of the Council. Dr. Eric Stamps was elected to his third three-year term as an at-large member of the Council and Dr. Jennifer Mathews was elected to her second three-year term as the public member on the Council. Drs. Harry Schneider, Melanie Violand, and Steven Vyce were all elected to their second three-year term as at-large members of the Council. Ms. Amanda Soelle was elected to her first three-year term as public member of the CPME and replaces Mr. Rodney Peele who retired from the Council following distinguished service to CPME.

Keith Cook, DPM is the director of podiatry at University Hospital, Newark, NJ. Dr. Cook has served as a residency director, residency evaluator and a college evaluator, the chair of the Residency Ad Hoc Advisory Committee, and as a member of the Residency Review Committee.

John T. Marcoux, DPM is a faculty member at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston, MA and serves as a residency evaluator and as the chair of the Residency Review Committee.

Jennifer Mathews, PhD was elected to her second term as a CPME public member. Dr. Mathews is Associate Vice Provost for Academic Administration and Chief Assessment Officer at the University of Rochester in Rochester, NY. Dr. Mathews serves as a college evaluator and on the Accreditation Committee.

Harry Schneider, DPM was elected to his second term as an at-large member on the Council. He serves as the residency program director at Cambridge Health Alliance Podiatric Medicine and Surgery in Cambridge, MA. Dr. Schneider serves as a CPME residency and college evaluator and as a member of the Residency Review Committee, the Residency Ad Hoc Advisory Committee, the Specialty Board Recognition Committee, and the Specialty Board Recognition Committee Ad Hoc Advisory Committee.

Amanda Soelle is the CEO of AJS Consulting in Madison, Wisconsin.

Eric Stamps, DPM was elected to his third term as an at-large member on the Council. He is the Dean at the California School of Podiatric Medicine at Samuel Merritt University. Dr. Stamps serves as a college evaluator and is the chair of the Accreditation Committee.

Melanie Violand, DPM was elected to her second term as an at-large member on the Council. She is the Associate Dean at the Arizona College of Podiatric Medicine at Midwestern University in Glendale, AZ. Dr. Violand serves as a CPME residency and college evaluator, as a member of the Accreditation Committee, the Specialty Board Recognition Committee, and the Specialty Board Recognition Committee Ad Hoc Advisory Committee.

Steven Vyce, DPM was elected to his second term as an at-large member on the Council. He serves as Chief, Department of Podiatric Surgery and Medicine, Yale-New Haven Hospital in New Haven, CT. Dr. Vyce serves as a CPME residency evaluator and as a member of the Residency Review Committee and the Residency Ad Hoc Advisory Committee.

CPME Self-Study

The Council has begun working on the CPME Self-Study, which was last updated in October 2017 and is due for review every five years. During the summer of 2022, the Council sent out a survey to the community of interest for input into how well the Council is functioning. The Council reviewed the survey responses and began to work on the 2022 self-study during the October 2022 meeting.

Spring 2023 Residency Visits

Twenty-two residency and fellowship programs have on-site evaluations scheduled for the spring of 2023. The list of programs, along with the scheduled on-site evaluation date, will be published on the Council's website with instruction for submission of third-party comments. Third-party comments must address substantive matters relating to the quality of the program and CPME standards and requirements. Comments must be received 15 days prior to the program's scheduled site visit date. All third-party comments must be signed. Comments will be forwarded to the evaluation team, and to the program director for response if appropriate, during the evaluation visit process.

College Accreditation Actions Fall 2022

The Council took the following accreditation actions at its fall 2022 meeting:

New York College of Podiatric Medicine (NYCPM) – At its November 14, 2022, meeting, the Council reviewed the extension for good cause submitted by the New York College of Podiatric Medicine. After due consideration, the Council determined there was good cause to grant the extension of time to allow the College to demonstrate compliance with the accreditation standard and requirement. Additionally, the Council rescinded the probation order as the reason for the probation order was no longer applicable due to the granting of the extension of time. The Council first identified the New York College of Podiatric Medicine as being in noncompliance with Standard 1 Requirement D, Ongoing Evaluation Process, in April 2021. Under the Council's rules of procedure, the College is permitted a period of time to come into compliance with accreditation standards. With the grant of the time extension, the College now has until April 2025 to come into compliance.

California School of Podiatric Medicine at Samuel Merritt University – At its October 2022 meeting, the Council elected, based on an on-site evaluation, to extend accreditation through October 2027. Four new areas of noncompliance were identified during the site visit and the School continues to be in noncompliance with Standard 8 Requirement C, Programmatic Outcomes. The Council also approved the substantive change submitted by the School to disaffiliate with Sutter Health.

Des Moines University College of Podiatric Medicine and Surgery – At its October 2022 meeting, the Council granted preliminary approval of the substantive change request to change the location of the College until such time that CPME can conduct an on-site evaluation when the move has been completed.

Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM) School of Podiatric Medicine – At its October

2022 meeting, the Council granted candidacy status to the LECOM School of Podiatric Medicine.

Scheduled 2023 On-Site Visits

The scheduled reaccreditation on-site visit to the Western University of Health Sciences College of Podiatric Medicine is scheduled for November 6-9, 2023. The accreditation decision will take place at the Council's spring 2024 meeting.

The preaccreditation site visit to the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley School of Podiatric Medicine is scheduled for December 11-14, 2023. The preaccreditation decision will take place at the Council's spring 2024 meeting.

The Accreditation Committee's next meeting will take place in Bethesda, MD at APMA HQs April 19-20, 2023.

Residency and Fellowship Actions October 2022

The RRC met in person September 24 -25, 2022. In addition to the agenda, the committee reviewed progress reports from 37 programs, team reports from 21 programs, one application for increase in residency positions, two applications for reclassification, and one application for a new residency program.

Twenty programs will have an in-person and two programs will have virtual on-site visits this fall, including one program that has applied for provisional approval and has been approved for an on-site evaluation. The list of institutions scheduled for on-site visits during fall 2022 is listed on CPME's website to allow for consideration of third-party comments. All approval standards and requirements are expected to be reviewed and met, regardless of the format of the site visit.

Residency actions at the October 2022 CPME meeting included the following:

- Sustain to Withdraw Approval – 0
- Voluntary Withdrawal of Approval – 1
- Probationary Approval – 0
- Approval – 8
- Approval with additional information requested – 13

The Residency Review Committee's next meeting will take place in a location to be determined March 24-25, 2023.

The current number of approved first year residency positions as of November 30, 2022, is as follows:

PMSR/RRA	607
PMSR	<u>15</u>
Total	622

Continuing Education Activities and Actions October 2022

The Continuing Education Committee (CEC) met in person September 9-10 at APMA HQs. The agenda included 20 progress reports, seven petitions for continued approval, and two applications for approval of new provider of continuing education. The CEC will hold its 2023 meetings in Bethesda, MD at APMA HQ March 3-4 and September 15-16, 2023.

Continuing Education actions taken at the October 2022 meeting of the Council include the following:

- Approval with additional information requested – 7
- Approval of New Provider – 2
- Probationary Approval – 2
- Voluntary Termination – 0

Collaborative Residency Evaluator Committee (CREC)

CREC hosted a Chair Best Practices Discussion on August 24th, 2022, for veteran chairs to answer questions from newer chairs and share insights and best practices related to all aspects of the onsite process. In addition, the committee met prior to the Best Practices forum to review Post-Evaluation Questionnaires (PEQs) from Spring 2022 and identify evaluators in need of remediation and evaluators eligible for Letters of Commendation.

CREC held their fall meeting on Saturday, December 3rd, in Bonita Springs, Florida.

Document Reviews in Progress

Interim Review of College Documents – CPME 120 and CPME 130

Three years following a comprehensive review of the college accreditation documents, CPME 120 *Standards and Requirements for Accrediting Colleges of Podiatric Medicine* and CPME 130 *Procedures for Accrediting Colleges of Podiatric Medicine*, the Accreditation Committee conducts an interim review of the documents. The Accreditation Committee worked on the interim review throughout summer 2022 and forwarded their proposed revisions to the CPME for their approval at the October 2022 meeting. The Council approved the revisions and determined the documents will be forwarded to the community of interest for a comment period of three months. At the Accreditation Committee and Council's April 2023 meetings all survey results and comments will be reviewed. A determination by the Council will be made at that time if the documents are ready for adoption or if they should be sent back to the Accreditation Committee for continued revisions.

The proposed revisions to CPME 120 and CPME 130 along with a summary of changes document and survey can be found [here](#).

You are encouraged to forward this message as you see appropriate. The Council is seeking the broadest possible input. Please complete the survey and send any additional comments by February 1, 2023, to hstagliano@cpme.org.

SBRC Ad Hoc Committee – Rewrite of CPME 220 and CPME 230

The SBRC Ad Hoc Committee met for the first time on Friday, November 11, 2022, at APMA Headquarters and began the meeting by introducing the purpose of the committee and the review of the meeting ground rules. The SBRC Ad Hoc Committee then began their review of the rewrite plan including an in-depth review of the survey results from the community of interest. Following the review of the survey results, the committee began revising CPME 230, *Procedures for Recognition of a Specialty Board for Podiatric Medical Practice*. The SBRC Ad Hoc Committee will meet again in person February 7-8, 2023, in Los Angeles, California to continue the revision process of the SBRC documents.

CPME Continuing Education Document Rewrite – CPME 720 and CPME 730

On a regularly scheduled basis, CPME reviews and, when appropriate, revises the requirements and procedures associated with various evaluation activities. The Council has initiated a review of publications related to continuing education provider evaluation and approval, CPME 720 *Standards and Requirements for Approval of Providers of Continuing Education in Podiatric Medicine* and CPME 730, *Procedures for Approval of Providers of Continuing Education in Podiatric Medicine*. The Council anticipates the review process will take 12-24 months.

The Continuing Education Ad Hoc Advisory Committee members have been appointed by the Council and broadly represent the communities of interest related to continuing education. They have been selected with the belief that they will provide thoughtful analysis and insight into the needed evolution of continuing education, in coordination with the goals and the interests of the profession. A full list of Continuing Education Ad Hoc Advisory Committee members is available on the Council's website.

The results of the comprehensive review will be transmitted to the Council and before any substantive changes become final, the Council will disseminate all proposed document revisions for comment to the community of interest. The Council will afford the community of interest at least 60 days to comment on the proposed changes and will consider any comments received on the proposed changes. If the Council determines that additional document revisions are needed based on review of the comments received, the additional revisions will be forwarded to the community of interest for another comment period of at least 60 days.

An initial survey to the community of interest was disseminated in October 2022 and closed December 1, 2022. The committee held its first meeting on September 17, 2022.

If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact Ms. Sandy Saylor, CPME Associate Director, at ssaylor@cpme.org.

CPME Fellowship Documents Revisions – CPME 820 and CPME 830

At the October 2022 meeting, the Council approved Draft I of CPME 820, *Standards and Requirements for Approval of Podiatric Fellowships* and CPME 830, *Procedures for Approval of Podiatric Fellowships*. These documents were disseminated for comment to the community of interest with the comment period closing January 30, 2023. You can find the proposed revisions to CPME 820 and CPME 830 [here](#). The Council will review the comments and determine next steps and possible adoption at their spring 2023 meeting.