

### **USMLE/COMLEX Step III**

1. In order to be eligible to receive a contract for the PGY II year, residents must provide evidence of registering to take USMLE/COMLEX Step III prior to March 1<sup>st</sup> of the PGY I year. Residents who have not provided evidence of registering for the examination, and are otherwise in good standing, will be issued a letter stating that a decision to re-contract cannot be made at the time and will be given a maximum of three months to register for the exam. Failure to comply will result in termination from the program at the conclusion of the PGY I year.
2. In order to be eligible to receive a contract for the PGY III year, residents must provide evidence of a passing score on USMLE/COMLEX Step III prior to December 31<sup>st</sup> of the PGY II year. Residents, who have not provided evidence of a passing grade and are otherwise in good standing, will be issued a letter stating that a decision to re-contract cannot be made at the time and will be given a maximum of three months to provide evidence of passing the examination. Failure to comply will result in termination from the program at the conclusion of the PGY II year.
3. Residents terminated due to not taking or not passing the USMLE/COMLEX III, in the specified time period, may reapply to their program upon receipt of a passing score. Acceptance is not guaranteed.
4. This policy is applicable to residents seeking to transfer to an NYP/Q sponsored program and to all fellows entering.
5. Monitoring and compliance is expected at the program level.
6. Exemptions to this policy, for good cause or hardship circumstances, may be requested by the Program Director to the Designated Institutional Official and/or the Graduate Medical Education Committee.

### **Approvals Obtained electronically via NAVEX Global Policy Module**

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