

Rush University Medical Center  
Graduate Medical Education Policy

**Policy on Exceptions to ACGME Duty Hour Regulations**

The Rush GMEC and the Rush Office of GME do not endorse requests for an exception to the eighty-hour work week (averaged over four weeks) for any programs.

Appropriate educational activities in each program can be provided in the context of an eighty-hour work week. Program directors are expected to schedule teaching and clinical experiences in such a way that residents can optimize their exposure to both, and program directors are expected to balance clinical service obligations and educational curriculum participation within the constraints of the eighty-hour work week.

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