These training requirements apply to those who begin training on or after July 1st, 2015.

As the Objectives of Training in Surgical Foundations are felt to be basic to all surgical specialties, it is felt that most if not all of the knowledge and skills can be achieved on many different rotations. It is expected that the resident experience a diversity of rotations.

MINIMUM TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

1. Two (2) years of approved residency in foundational training, a maximum of eighteen (18) blocks of which may be undertaken in their primary specialty. This period must include the following training that will be counted as part of the parent specialty training if provided by that specialty:
   1.1. A minimum of one (1) block of critical care
   1.2. A minimum of one (1) block on a service that provides initial trauma management (such as Emergency Medicine, General Surgery, trauma team, Orthopedic Surgery, or Plastic Surgery)

NOTES:

The candidate must successfully complete the Surgical Foundations curriculum and Examination.

The 2-year curriculum outlined above is to be regarded as the minimum training requirement and will constitute the initial 2 years of training in any surgical specialty. Additional training may be required by the program director to ensure that clinical competence has been achieved.

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