

Graduate Medical Education Resident Agreement
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This Graduate Medical Education Resident Agreement (“Agreement”) is made and executed by and between Hospital name here (“Hospital”) and Resident name here (“Resident”).

Hospital, or a Consortium of which Hospital is a member, is recognized and accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (“ACGME”) as the institutional sponsor for one or more residency programs, which are overseen by Hospital’s or Consortium’s Graduate Medical Education Committee (“GMEC”), Hospital’s or Consortium’s Designated Institutional Official (“DIO”), and Hospital’s or Consortium’s Program Director (“Program Director”). Hospital appoints Resident as a resident to receive training in connection with Hospital’s residency program designated in Section 1 below, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth herein.

1. **Resident Appointment**

Resident is hereby appointed to participate in the [Program Specialty] graduate medical education (“GME”) training program (the “Program”) as post graduate year (PGY1) for the period beginning July 1, 202[] (“Start Date”) and ending on June 30, 202[] (“End Date”), which period shall be referred to as the “Training Period.” As used in this Agreement, the term Program shall mean the legal entity Hospital, on behalf of its residency programs, and references to Hospital shall mean both the legal entity as well as the Program.

2. **Resident Responsibilities and Agreement**

Resident will comply with the requirements of Hospital and of the Program, including, but not limited to:

- A. **Educational and Professional Duties.** Resident will fulfill all educational and professional duties, obligations and assignments in accordance with the ACGME Requirements for Graduate Medical Education.
- B. **Manuals, Policies and Regulations.** Resident will read, understand and abide by all policies, manuals, rules and regulations of Hospital and of the Program, as now exist and as they may be amended from time to time.
- C. **Pre-Employment Requirements.** Resident understand and acknowledge that this Agreement and Program participation is contingent upon meeting pre-employment requirements established by state and federal laws, and requirements established by Hospital prior to the Start Date, including but not limited to all of the below. These are ongoing obligations. Failure to continue to adhere to all of these obligations throughout the appointment will be cause for immediate termination by the Hospital without any right to due process:
 - i. Documentation of eligibility for employment, including work and training visa status, if applicable;
 - ii. Documentation of Resident’s receipt of all immunizations or signed declinations required under Hospital policy;
 - iii. Passing laboratory screening test for abuse of controlled substances;
 - iv. Passing criminal background check;
 - v. Documentation of occupational health screening;
 - vi. Obtaining and maintaining a valid, unrestricted medical license for medical trainees of a similar training level as required by the State where Hospital is located; and
 - vii. Proof of graduation by delivery of diploma from an accredited allopathic or osteopathic medical school or an accredited podiatric school to Program, in accordance with the eligibility requirements set out in the GME Resident Manual, which is hereby incorporated into this agreement by reference.
- D. **Failure or Delay for Pre-Employment Requirements.** Resident acknowledges and agrees that if pre-employment requirements are not met prior to the Start Date, this Agreement may be (i) delayed without pay to Resident in the interim, or (ii) terminated by Hospital, and in either case without the provision of due process that may otherwise be applicable as provided herein.
- E. **Licensure.** Resident will obtain and maintain a current license to practice medicine, either an educational limited training license or a full medical license, in the State where Hospital is located. Resident will provide documentation of licensure to Hospital prior to the Start Date, as a condition of Resident initiating any training in the Program. Resident will immediately notify Hospital if any license, permit or certification is restricted, revoked, suspended, or not renewed. Resident understands

and acknowledges that failure to maintain current medical licensure will result in suspension without pay until the license is renewed or termination of this Agreement at the discretion of Hospital's Program Director.

- F. **Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA).** If Resident holds a medical license and is authorized by the state in which the Facility is located to prescribe, then Resident is required to also maintain an unrestricted DEA registration.
- G. **National Provider Identifier (NPI).** Before the Start Date, Resident shall obtain an NPI. Resident shall continuously maintain an NPI at all times while participating in the Program.
- H. **USMLE Step 3 and COMLEX Level 3 Testing.** Resident acknowledges that Hospital Policy requires Resident to pass the United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE) Step 3 or the Comprehensive Osteopathic Medical Licensing Examination (COMLEX) Level 3 **six months prior to the scheduled start of PGY 3 year** before Resident will be eligible for promotion to PGY 3. The maximum number of retakes for USMLE Step 3 or COMLEX-USA Level 3 shall be aligned with USMLE and COMLEX requirements. Candidates failing the maximum number of retakes of either examination are no longer eligible to complete the examination and are therefore not eligible to obtain a medical license in the United States. Candidates who fail the USMLE Step 3 or COMLEX-USA Level 3 after the maximum number of retakes will be terminated from the residency program in accordance with the terms of the resident agreement.
- I. **Compensation in Full.** Resident understands and acknowledges that the salary and benefits provided herein are the sole compensation for services furnished under this Agreement. Resident agrees not to bill or collect from any patient or payor for services provided pursuant to this Agreement or to accept fees in any form from patients.
- J. **Confidentiality and HIPAA.** Resident shall keep strictly confidential and hold in trust all confidential information of Hospital and/or its patients and not disclose or reveal any confidential information to any third party without the express prior written consent of Hospital. Resident shall not disclose the terms of this Agreement to any person who is not a party to this Agreement, except to Resident's legal and financial advisors, as required by law or as otherwise authorized by Hospital. Unauthorized disclosure of confidential information or of the terms of this Agreement shall be a material breach of this Agreement. Resident acknowledges that many healthcare providers are "covered entities" as that term is defined at 45 C.F.R. 160.103. Resident agrees to comply with the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act of 2009 (the "HITECH Act"), the Administrative Simplification Provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, as codified at 42 U.S.C.A. 1320d et seq. ("HIPAA") and any current and future regulations promulgated under the HITECH Act or HIPAA. Resident agrees not to use or further disclose any "Protected Health Information," including "Electronic Health Information," other than as permitted by applicable laws and the terms of this Agreement.
- K. **Extramural Professional Activities. Extramural professional activities or "Moonlighting."** Resident understands and acknowledges that Moonlighting is prohibited unless specifically approved in advance in writing by the Hospital and Hospital's Program Director in accordance with Hospital and Program policy and procedures as defined in the GME Resident Manual. Resident agrees, understands, and acknowledges that Moonlighting activities are not covered by the Hospital's professional liability insurance program. PGY 1 residents are not allowed to moonlight.
- L. **Grievance and Due Process.** Resident will comply with Grievance and Due Process policies and procedures provided in the GME Resident Manual to address Resident disputes or disagreements, including proposed suspension, non-renewal, non-promotion or dismissal.
- M. **Clinical Matters.** Resident shall comply with Hospital's policies and procedures applicable to Resident to which Resident has reasonable access, including without limitation Policy EC.027, which, as described more fully therein, sets forth an expectation that Resident will make appropriate conflict of interest disclosures when publishing in medical journals and presenting at medical conferences. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this Agreement is intended to dictate how Resident practices medicine or infringe upon Resident's professional judgment.

3. **Hospital Responsibilities and Agreement**

- A. **Education Program.** Hospital shall provide and maintain a [Program Specialty] graduate medical education program accredited by the ACGME.
- B. **Salary.** Hospital shall provide to Resident an annual salary commensurate with the Resident's PGY, as further described in **Exhibit A**, which is attached to and incorporated herein by this reference.
- C. **GME Resident Manual.** Hospital shall make available to Resident online an electronic manual of written policies and procedures defining the duties and privileges of Resident participating in the Program (the "GME Resident Manual"), including, but not limited to requirements relating to employee physical and drug screenings, dress code, impairment and substance abuse, disabilities and sexual harassment. In the event of any conflict between the terms or conditions of this Agreement and GME Resident Manual policies or procedures, the GME Resident Manual policies and procedures will control.

- D. **Conditions for reappointment and promotion.** Hospital provides continuation and/or promotion in the Resident that is contingent upon satisfactory academic and professional performance by the Resident as determined by the Program Director and faculty, and in accordance with policies and procedures described in the GME Resident Manual. Achievement of competency based goals and objectives for each level of training will be used as one measure of performance and promotion, but not the only criteria of performance. Hospital is not obligated to renew or extend this Agreement for subsequent training levels in the event that the academic and professional performance by the Resident is determined to be unsatisfactory, subject to the provisions of due process set forth in the GME Resident Manual. Hospital shall provide notice to the Resident prior to the End Date of this Agreement regarding promotion to the next year of training or graduation from the Program. If the Resident will not be promoted, the Program shall endeavor to provide as much notice as circumstances reasonably allow, prior to the end of this Agreement. Disputes that arise from the promotion or graduation decision may be directed through the grievance and due process procedure in accordance with the GME Resident Manual.
- E. **Grievance and Due Process.** Hospital will comply with Grievance and Due Process policies and procedures provided in the GME Resident Manual to address Resident disputes or disagreements, including proposed suspension, non-renewal, non-promotion or dismissal.
- F. **Professional Liability Insurance.** Hospital will provide professional liability insurance coverage (an occurrence type policy) for Resident's acts and omissions within the scope of the Program that occur during the Training Period. Such coverage will provide legal defense and protection against awards from claims reported or filed during or after the completion of the Program, if, and only if, the alleged acts or omissions of Resident occurred during the Training Period and are/were within the scope of the Program. The minimum coverage amount will be facility's minimum coverage amount per occurrence with a yearly maximum of facility's maximum coverage in the aggregate. Such professional liability coverage may be coverage established through an insurance affiliate of Hospital. Professional liability insurance coverage provided for the purpose of Program training does not extend to Moonlighting activities as described in Section 2(J) or other activities by Resident.
- G. **Benefits.** Hospital shall provide benefits to Resident as described in the attached Exhibit A.
- H. **Vacation, Parental, Sick and Other Leaves.** The Benefits set forth in Exhibit A include, among other things, vacation, sick, parental and other leaves of absence, and education leave as described in the GME Resident Manual.
- I. **Eligibility for Specialty Board Examinations.** Hospital shall provide information to Resident related to eligibility for specialty board examinations. Eligibility for Specialty Board Examination policies and procedures are set forth in the GME Resident Manual.
- J. **Duty Hours.** Hospital is responsible for promoting patient safety and a high quality environment for education through carefully constructed duty hour assignments in compliance with ACGME requirements. Duty hour assignments include any approved "moonlighting" activities per ACGME requirements and as set forth in the policies and procedures in the GME Resident Manual. Hospital shall provide Resident with policies and procedures governing any professional activities performed by Resident outside of the Agreement. These "Moonlighting" policies and procedures are set forth in the GME Resident Manual. Professional liability insurance coverage provided for the purpose of Program training does not extend to Moonlighting activities or other activities by Resident beyond the scope of the Program.

4. Entire Agreement

This Agreement and any attached exhibits constitute the entire agreement between the parties regarding the Resident's employment by Hospital, and this Agreement supersedes and replaces any prior written or verbal negotiations, agreements or understandings of the parties.

5. General Provisions

- A. Falsification of any information supplied to the Program or Hospital by Resident as part of the entrance requirements of the Program, or knowingly giving false information or assisting others in doing so constitutes grounds for immediate dismissal of Resident from the Program, regardless of when such falsification is discovered by Hospital.
- B. The Program expressly acknowledges its obligations as a provider of health care and as an educational institution to maintain as confidential the applicable records of Resident. These records may be delivered to other health care treatment institutions or prospective employers only upon a written request to the Program or Graduate Medical Education Department; provided, however, records will be furnished to appropriate government agencies or third parties as required by law. For Residents transferring out to another program, such records must be requested by and delivered to the specific program seeking the information Resident should review and enter into the attached Attachment 1, Request for and Consent to Release of Information and Release of Liability in order to expedite responses to information requests.

- C. The rights and obligations of Hospital under this Agreement shall inure to the benefit and be binding upon the successors and assigns of Hospital. Resident may not assign or transfer his/her rights or obligations under this Agreement. Any assignment or transfer made in violation of the provision shall be void.
- D. This Agreement may only be amended or altered in any of its provisions by mutual agreement of the parties hereto, and any such change shall become effective when reduced to writing and signed by such parties or at such other time as such amendments may provide.
- E. The laws of the State where Hospital is located shall govern this Agreement.

6. **Compliance with Laws, Regulations, Accreditation and Program Policies**

- A. Resident will receive access to the GME Resident Manual, as well as the Hospital's specialty-specific Program Manual. Resident shall abide by Hospital's Medical Staff Bylaws/Rules & Regulations, applicable Hospital policies and procedures, applicable Program policies and procedures, including the GME Resident Manual and Program Manual, and applicable Federal and State laws. Resident acknowledges that Hospital has certain obligations in connection with applicable laws, regulations and accreditation standards, including but not limited to obligations to: i) the State where Hospital is located; ii) the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, iii) the Office of Inspector General; iv) Medicare and Medicaid; v) The Joint Commission; vi) the ACGME; and vii) all applicable labor and civil rights laws. Resident further acknowledges that Hospital from time to time may adopt policies, procedures and/or documentation requirements in connection with the implementation of such laws, regulations and accreditation standards. Resident agrees to cooperate fully with Hospital in its compliance with all applicable laws, regulations and accreditation standards, as may be enacted or amended from time to time, and with all implementing policies, procedures and/or documentation now in existence, or as may be adopted or amended by Hospital from time to time. Resident shall conduct himself or herself in a professional manner consistent with Hospital's standards. Resident acknowledges that it is the express policy of Hospital to prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, age, religion or national origin.
- B. Each party hereto will comply with applicable policies and procedures of the National Resident Matching Program (NRMP), including any waiver requirements relating to termination of this Agreement or release of Resident to seek employment elsewhere. Any alleged breach or determined violation of the NRMP match results for failure to extend or accept an appointment may result in serious consequences taken by the NRMP.

7. **Notices**

All notices hereunder by either party hereto to the other shall be delivered (a) personally, (b) by certified U.S. mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, or (c) by reputable overnight courier (such as FedEx, UPS). Any delivery other than a personal delivery to Resident shall be made to Resident's residential address currently on file with Hospital. Notice to the Hospital shall be delivered to the address below.

If to Hospital:

Hospital name here
Hospital address here

If to Resident:

Resident name here
Resident address here

8. **Term and Termination**

- A. **Term.** If not earlier terminated as otherwise provided in this Agreement, this Agreement shall terminate as of the End Date. Any termination of this Agreement shall terminate Resident's appointment to the Program.
- B. **Termination for Cause.** The Designated Institutional Official ("DIO") and/or Hospital may terminate this Agreement immediately for any of the following reasons with respect to Resident:
 - i. Professional incompetence, as determined by the Chief Executive Officer in consultation with the Program Director or by the Program's Clinical Competency Committee;
 - ii. Substantial breach of the terms of this Agreement;
 - iii. Serious neglect of duty or violation of Hospital or Program rules, regulations, policies or procedures, including but not limited to those relating to use of drugs and alcohol;

- iv. Initiation of proceedings against Resident relating to Medicare or Medicaid fraud and abuse;
 - v. Becoming uninsurable by Hospital's selected insurance provider for any reason;
 - vi. Conviction of a felony or other serious crime as determined by Hospital;
 - vii. Conduct that Hospital reasonably determines to be prejudicial to the best interest of Hospital or the Program;
 - viii. Unapproved absence from the Program;
 - ix. Action or inaction reasonably determined by Hospital to involve inadvisable decisions that reflect poorly on Hospital or that is contrary to the interests of patient care or Hospital;
 - x. Failure to progress satisfactorily in the Program's educational and clinical program;
 - xi. Death or total disability as defined in Hospital's employment policies and procedures, or inability to perform duties required hereunder for a designated period of time in accordance with Hospital's employment policies and procedures;
 - xii. Determination by Hospital of material failure to comply with any specific obligations or intent of this Agreement;
 - xiii. Breach of Section 9 of this Agreement; or
 - xiv. Any change in law or economics which materially reduces or eliminates government support on which Hospital relies in order to operate the Programs.
- C. **Termination of Agreement:** Resident may terminate this Agreement for any reason or no reason upon at least ninety (90) days prior written notice to Hospital, providing that such termination complies with NRMP requirements.
- D. **Program Closure or Reduction.** In the event the Program is closed or reduced, Hospital will use its best efforts to allow Resident to complete the Program at Hospital. In the event that continuation of the Program is untenable by Hospital, Hospital will utilize its best efforts to transfer Resident to another program. If Hospital loses its accreditation during the term of this Agreement, on the effective date of loss of such accreditation, Resident shall be released from this Agreement and Hospital and its personnel will provide references in connection with Resident's application to enter an appropriate program elsewhere. The terms of this Agreement shall terminate on the date of closure or reduction that removes the position of Resident.
- E. **Change in Law.** This Agreement is intended to comply with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations. If at any time the Hospital determines that the Agreement does not, in any respect, comply with such laws, rules and regulations, then Resident agrees to cooperate with the Hospital to negotiate a new agreement which fully complies with such laws, rules and regulations. If the parties cannot reach agreement within 30 days, then the Hospital may immediately terminate this Agreement without any obligation after that date to Resident.
- F. **Counterparts.** If this Agreement is signed in counterparts, all parts together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Electronic signatures will be considered originals.
- G. **Intellectual Property.** All patents, formulae, ideas, inventions, processes, copyrights, know-how, proprietary information, trademarks, trade names, or other developments for future improvements to patients that are conceived through Resident's work while Resident is in training at Hospital are the property of the Hospital, and all royalties, fees or other income attributable to it will be the property of the Hospital.
9. **Warranty that Resident is not Excluded from Federal Healthcare Programs**

Resident represents and warrants to Hospital that he/she (i) is not currently excluded, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in any federal health care programs as defined in 42 U.S.C. § 1320a-7b(f) (the "federal healthcare programs"), (ii) has not been convicted of a criminal offense related to the provision of healthcare items or services, and (iii) is not, to the best of his/her knowledge, under investigation or otherwise aware of any circumstances which may result in Resident being excluded from participation in the federal healthcare programs. This shall be an ongoing representation and warranty during the term of this Agreement and Resident shall immediately notify Hospital of any change in the status of the representations and warranty set forth in this section. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, any breach of this section shall give Hospital the right to terminate this Agreement immediately.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement effective on the date first written below.

Resident

Resident name here

Date: _____

Hospital name here

/S/
Facility Chief Executive Officer

Date:

SAMPLE

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EXHIBIT A - FINANCIAL SUPPORT AND BENEFITS
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1. Resident Salary

Hospital will pay to Resident the salary of \$00.00 less applicable withholdings, which corresponds with Resident's Post Graduate Year (PGY) as set forth in Section 1 of the Agreement.

2. Resident Orientation Stipend

New Residents or Fellows shall receive a \$500.00 stipend, less applicable withholdings, for orientation. If Resident attends less than the full orientation, such stipend amount may be prorated for the time actually attended. Resident shall receive the above referenced stipend within ninety (90) days of the Start Date.

3. On Call Meal Stipend

Per ACGME, Hospital should ensure that Residents and Fellows have access to meals if and when they are on call. For Hospitals that do not make food readily available to meet this requirement, Residents or Fellows shall receive a \$950.00 stipend, less applicable withholdings, to allow them to secure their own food for times when they are on call. Resident shall receive the above referenced stipend in two separate payments. The first payment shall be made within ninety (90) days of the Start Date and the second payment shall be made after January 1st. Please note that certain specialties may not require on-call coverage. If a specialty does not require on-call coverage the Hospital is not required to provide the on-call meal stipend to Residents or Fellows in that specialty.

4. Program Graduation

At the completion of Resident's training, Hospital may invite Resident and a guest to attend a graduation event and/or present Resident with a one-time graduation gift. In all cases, the value of any and all gifts and entertainment, when combined with the salary and above referenced stipends shall not exceed fair market value, as that amount is determined by a third-party valuator.

5. Resident Benefits

- A. **Health Benefits.** Commencing on the Start Date, Hospital will provide medical insurance to Resident under the same options, rates, terms and conditions available to all other Hospital exempt employees and as further described in the GME Resident Manual.
- B. **Additional Health Benefits.** Commencing on the Start Date, Hospital will provide Vision and Dental benefits to Resident under the same options, rates, terms and conditions available to all other Hospital exempt employees and as further described in the GME Resident Manual.
- C. **Leaves of Absence.** Commencing on the Start Date, Resident is eligible for vacation, sick, parental and other leaves of absence, and education leave as described in the GME Resident Manual.
- D. **Benefit Plan Changes.** The benefits available to Resident are subject to change in accordance with Hospital's benefit plans for exempt employees.

6. Disability

- A. **Short-Term Disability.** Upon satisfying eligibility requirements, Resident will be enrolled in a Short-Term Disability insurance program upon the same options, rates, terms and conditions available to other Hospital exempt employees and as further described in the GME Resident Manual.
- B. **Long-Term Disability.** Upon satisfying eligibility requirements, Resident will be enrolled in a Long-Term Disability insurance program upon the same options, rates, terms and conditions available to other Hospital exempt employees and as further described in the GME Resident Manual.

7. Business Expenses

As included fair market value consideration and in exchange for the services furnished by Resident hereunder, Hospital will reimburse or pay expenses associated with the Program that Resident is directed to participate in by Faculty Members or Program Director or is otherwise made available to Resident in connection with participation in the Program, including but not limited to the costs of (i) any meals served at meetings; (ii) Hospital or Program sponsored recruitment activities; (iii) educational sessions, conferences, development courses and similar activities related to the Program; (iv) wellness events and retreats that comport with the ACGME Common Program Requirements related to wellness; (v) Program evaluation activities; (vi) cellular phone voice and data service and one laptop personal computer that conforms to Hospital requirements; and (vii) any other reasonable and necessary expenses provided to or incurred on behalf of Resident in furtherance of Program goals and ACGME objectives and requirements. All such expenses must be reasonable, must be consistent with Hospital's relevant policies, and Resident must be authorized in advance by Hospital to incur such expenses. All such expenses are limited to those incurred by Resident only (e.g., expenses of spouses and other family members are excluded from reimbursement).

8. Equipment

Hospital will determine and make available as needed electronic devices of Hospital's choice for use consistent with the Program's scope and needs. The assigned Equipment is the property of Hospital and Resident agrees to use it only for purposes related to the Program in accordance with the GME resident manual. Not to be used for Moonlighting assignments outside the Facility and its affiliates. Resident agrees to only use company issued electronic devices to accomplish responsibilities under this Agreement. Prior to the End Date or earlier termination date, if requested to do so by Hospital, Resident will return the Equipment to Hospital in the condition in which it was provided to him/her with reasonable wear and tear excepted. If the Equipment is either not returned to Hospital for any reason, or returned with damage beyond reasonable wear and tear, then Resident will pay to Hospital the fair market value, as determined by Hospital, of the Equipment in the condition in which it was provided to Resident less reasonable wear and tear. If required, Resident agrees to enter into a separate agreement with Hospital regarding possession and use of such Equipment.

9. Licensure

Hospital shall pay for Resident's Educational Limited License or, if required by the State where Hospital is located, a full medical license, during the Training Period. Resident shall initiate procedures to obtain such license as soon as Resident is qualified to do so.

10. Required Certification

Hospital shall provide the certification courses and any related materials required by Hospital and/or the Program, including but not limited to, Basic Life Support (BLS) and Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS), pursuant to the Program Manual.

11. In-Service Examinations

In accordance with the GME Resident Manual, the Program shall pay for training examinations for the [Program Specialty] .

12. Uniforms

Hospital shall provide at the start of the PGY1 year either two laboratory coats per resident (July 1 - June 30) or provide a reasonable substitution satisfying facility and program specialty as needed. For subsequent years, Hospital shall provide uniforms as specified in Program budget.

13. Support Services

The Program will provide access to appropriate and confidential counseling, medical and psychological support services according to Hospital's benefits program.

14. Worker's Compensation

Hospital will provide worker's compensation insurance, consistent with Hospital's benefits program.

ATTACHMENT 1
Contract [[Contract Number]]
REQUEST FOR AND CONSENT TO RELEASE OF INFORMATION
AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY BY:

Name of Resident: _____

Email Address: _____ Specialty: _____ Subspecialty: _____

Dates of Residency/Fellowship Training: _____

Hospital Location of Residency/Fellowship Training: _____

PURPOSE: I am providing this request for and consent to release of information relating to my residency performance, upon request by a third party "Requester", in order to facilitate my application for employment, medical licensure, medical board certification, medical staff membership or clinical privileges, commercial health plan participation and/or admission into other post-secondary education or training programs.

DEFINITIONS: "Requester" is a person or entity seeking information concerning my residency performance, and includes all of the Requester's officers, directors, employees and authorized representatives. "Hospital" is the entity in which I practiced my residency or fellowship that has records about my residency or fellowship performance and, for purposes of this consent, includes, its officers, directors, employees and authorized representatives, including but not limited to the Designated Institutional Officer, Residency Program Director, Associate Residency Program Director, Faculty and other GME personnel (collectively "Hospital Representatives").

REQUEST: I specifically request Hospital provide to the Requester verification that I practiced in the residency or fellowship program and any all information, records, documents in the possession of Hospital in connection with my residency or fellowship performance, including but not limited to: an evaluation of ACGME competencies and an evaluation of my professional competence and conduct while training at the Hospital.

CONSENT AND AUTHORIZATION: I hereby consent to the release by Hospital to Requester of any and all information, records and/or documents in the possession of Hospital, in whatever form or medium whether verbally, electronically and/or in writing relating to my residency or fellowship performance at Hospital. I further consent to Hospital's release of supplemental information relating to my residency or fellowship performance from time to time in connection with an initial request for information from Requester to ensure the information provided by Hospital to Requester in reliance on this authorization is more complete, accurate, or timely.

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF ALL CLAIMS AND LIABILITY: I hereby waive and release Hospital and Hospital Representatives from any and all claims, demands and/or liability, under local, state and federal law, including but not limited to those arising under theories of negligence, tort, contract, interference with contract, invasion of privacy, defamation, slander, discrimination, harassment, retaliation, denial of employment, admission, licensure, or credentials or any other legal theories, for any and all acts or omissions by Hospital Representatives in reliance upon this authorization.

HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFICATION: I hereby agree to hold harmless and indemnify Hospital and Hospital Representatives from any and all claims, demands or liability, including but not limited to those arising under any theories of negligence, tort, contract, interference with contract, invasion of privacy, defamation, slander, discrimination, denial of employment, admission, licensure, or credentials or any other legal theories, for any and all acts or omissions in reliance upon this authorization. I further specifically agree to indemnify Hospital and Hospital Representatives for any and all legal fees, costs, and/or any other expenses incurred in defending any claim or demand arising from the release of any information, records, or documents to Requester in reliance upon this authorization.

Signature of Resident: _____ Date: _____

Print Name of Resident: _____