

Scholarly Activity

Frequently Asked Questions

If you have questions about the specific scholarly activity program requirements for your specialty, please contact the Review Committee Team directly.

General

Q. When entering PMIDs I get a message that says the number has already been used, why can I not enter this number again?

A. Your program previously entered that same PMID for the same person in a previous academic year. The ACGME has already collected and reviewed that data. PMIDs cannot be entered in more than 1 academic year.

Q. What if there is no scholarly activity to enter for someone?

A. If there is no scholarly activity to enter for a faculty member or resident select 'no scholarly activity'.

Faculty

Q. I no longer see an option to view/edit CVs for my physician faculty members. Why is this?

A. CVs are only collected for physician faculty during the application process and for programs with initial accreditation. After a program receives an accreditation status other than initial accreditation, only the Program Director will need to update the CV. Scholarly activity has replaced the detailed CVs for physician faculty members.

Q. Why are only some of my faculty members showing on the list?

A. Some programs are only required to enter scholarly activity for core faculty. If you are a specialty program, you will only enter scholarly activity for your core faculty (see: Faculty Roster Instructions to see how to designate faculty as core). US subspecialty programs will enter scholarly activity for all physician faculty listed on the data entry form. International subspecialty programs will only enter scholarly activity for core faculty.

Q. Do I need to enter scholarly activity for non-physician faculty members?

A. No, we are only collecting the quantitative scholarly activity for physician faculty members. The scholarly activity, however, will be reported in narrative form on the non-physician CVs for the specialties and subspecialties that require it.

Q. I have more than 4 PMIDs to enter for a faculty member; can I submit more than 4 PMIDs for one person?

A. No. The scholarly activity is used to get an idea of the activity, not necessarily to document it entirely.

Q. A new faculty member just graduated from an accredited program. If their resident scholarly activity has been reported, should I enter the same data for faculty scholarly activity?

A. Yes.

Q. Do I need to enter scholarly activity for a faculty member who was an active faculty member last year, but has left the program?

A. No. We are only collecting scholarly activity for your current faculty members.

Q. Do I need to enter scholarly activity for new faculty members even if they were not in the program last year?

A. Yes. It does not matter where the scholarly activity was completed at.

Q. I have a faculty member who is listed in another program. Can I transfer their scholarly activity information to my program?

A. No. You must manually enter scholarly activity separately for each program.

Q. How do I document an article without a PMID number?

A. Articles without PMID numbers can be counted as 'Other Presentations'. This includes publications which are peer reviewed but not recognized by the National Library of Medicine.

Resident

Q. Only my residents from last year are showing. None of my incoming residents for the current year are showing. Do I need to enter scholarly activity for incoming residents?

A. No. You will only enter scholarly activity for residents who were active or completed your program in the previous academic year. New residents, including residents who transferred to your program, will not require scholarly activity reporting this year.

Q. I have more than 3 PMIDs to enter for a resident/fellow; can I submit more than 3 PMIDs for one person?

A. No. The scholarly activity is used to get an idea of the activity, not necessarily to document it entirely.

Q. We have fellows in our program, not residents; does this section still apply to us?

A. Yes. The ACGME describes any resident, fellow, house officer, or intern in an ACGME accredited program as resident. You are required to complete the scholarly activity for your residents/fellows/house officers/interns.

Q. I have an off-cycle resident who completes after September 1st; do I need to enter scholarly activity for this resident?

A. Yes.

Q. How do I document an article without a PMID number?

A. Articles without PMID numbers could be counted as 'Conference Presentations' only if the article was presented at an international, national, or regional meeting.

Q. Can one abstract or publication count for multiple residents or faculty who had completed it?

A. Yes.