



Transfer of Credit Policy

Scope of This Policy

In accordance with 34 C.F.R. § 602.24(10)(e), COCA must confirm that a college of osteopathic medicine has transfer of credit policies.

Policy

A college of osteopathic medicine (COM) must publish and follow policies regarding transfer or admissions with advanced standing. A COM may only accept credits from a school accredited by the COCA or the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) where the student is eligible for readmission. The COM must ensure that if transfer occurs from an LCME accredited school of medicine, the student must acquire OMM/OPP competency prior to graduation from the COM. The last two years of education must be completed at the COM granting the degree.

COMs with additional locations or branch campuses must indicate if the same transfer policies apply to all campus locations.

Institutional Responsibility

The COCA recognizes that each COM is responsible for determining its own policies and practices with regard to the transfer and award of credit. In accordance with 34 C.F.R. § 602.24(10)(e), COCA will confirm as an aspect of a review for pre-accreditation or accreditation that the COM's transfer of credit policies are publicly disclosed in accordance with Section 668.43(a)(11) and include a statement of the criteria established by the institution regarding the transfer of credit earned at another institution of higher education.

Related Federal Requirements:

34 C.F.R. § 602.24(10)(e)

34 C.F.R. § 668.43(a)(11)