

**Program Requirements for Graduate Medical Education in Surgical Critical Care  
IMPACT STATEMENT**

Requirement #: III.A.1 through III.A.1.a)(6)

Requirement Revision (major revisions only):

III.A.1 Prior to appointment in the program, fellows must have completed at least three clinical years in an ACGME-accredited graduate educational program in one of the following specialties: anesthesiology, emergency medicine, neurological surgery, obstetrics and gynecology, orthopaedic surgery, otolaryngology, surgery, thoracic surgery, vascular surgery, or urology.

III.A.1.a). Fellows who have completed an emergency medicine residency, must also complete one preliminary year of education in the surgery program at the institution where they will enroll in the surgical critical care fellowship. The preliminary year of education must include, and does not need to be limited to, supervised clinical experience in:

III.A.1.a).(1). Pre-operative evaluation, including respiratory, cardiovascular, and nutritional evaluation.

III.A.1.a).(2). Pre-operative and postoperative care of surgical patients, including outpatient follow up care.

III.A.1.a).(3) Care of injured patients.

III.A.1.a).(4) Care of patients requiring abdominal, breast, head and neck, endocrine, thoracic, and vascular operations

III.A.1.a).(5) Minor operative procedures related to critical care, such as venous access, tube thoracotomy, and tracheostomy

III.A.1.a). (6) Management of complex wounds.

Describe, as appropriate, how the revision:

- 1) impacts the quality and safety of patient care;

**Currently approved preliminary positions are expected to be allocated to support the Emergency Medicine program graduate wishing to enroll in a Surgical Critical Care fellowship. The quality and safety of patient care is expected to remain consistent with current standards of quality and patient care.**

- 2) improves the quality of resident education;

**The Emergency Medicine program graduate will have the opportunity to participate in those aspects of graduate medical education in surgery in order to be prepared for a Surgical Critical Care fellowship program.**

- 3) affects the way the resident, the service, and the staff provide patients with continuing care;

**It is expected that a program would use one of their existing approved preliminary positions to support a graduate of an emergency medicine program causing no**

**change in the way the resident, service, and staff provide patients with continuing care.**

- 4) requires a change in institutional resources (e.g., facilities; organization of other services; addition of faculty; financial impact);

**No additional resources would be required as programs would use one of their existing approved preliminary positions to support a graduate of an emergency medicine program preparing to enter a Surgical Critical Care fellowship program.**

- 5) may change the volume and variety of patients required to provide proper educational resources in the institution(s);

**None. It is expected that a program would use one of their existing approved preliminary positions to support a graduate of an emergency medicine program.**

- 6) impacts residency education in other specialties.

**The Emergency Medicine program graduate will have the opportunity to participate in those aspects of graduate medical education in surgery in order to be prepared for a Surgical Critical Care fellowship program.**