



## **Council on Education and Evaluation (CEE) (Osteopathic Recognition (OR) Tool Box**

### **Resources to Support Programs Applying for OR with the Accreditation Council on Graduate Medical Education (ACGME)**

#### Summary

ACOI is committed to supporting all of our training programs in their efforts to secure ACGME accreditation with Osteopathic Recognition. This OR Toolbox contains a number of resources to help guide your completion of the OR application, as well as other tools that may be useful in communicating with institutional leadership and other key stakeholders about the importance and value of OR. The Toolbox should not be seen as an alternative to the resources found at [ACGME.org](http://ACGME.org) under Osteopathic Recognition. In addition, please visit [ACOI.org](http://ACOI.org) regularly for updates to these resources. For any questions related to OR, the Toolbox, and the OR application process, contact Don Nelinson, PhD at ACOI for assistance [[DON@ACOI.ORG](mailto:DON@ACOI.ORG); 301-231-8877].

## Components

The resources contained in the Toolbox are housed in one of four compartments:

1. OR Application
2. OR Milestones
3. Other tools
4. General resources

### 1. OR Application

Within the application section you will find the ACOI CEE Application Guide. This tool will provide you with specific *questions and ideas* on how to approach each item on the OR Application. It does not offer specific *answers* as each program is unique and should customize responses. To obtain the OR Application, Application Instructions, OR Requirements, and the OR Milestones Project, go to [ACGME](#).

### 2. OR Milestones

In this section there is an overview of the OR Milestones as well as examples of approaches for all 6 milestones developed by the CEE. We believe these will provide an excellent source for ideas as to how you can address the milestones in your training program and describe them in the OR application. Dr. David

Connett, DO, FACOFP has developed a very useful checklist to help guide program directors in the response to questions focused on the milestones and we have included this checklist here.

### 3. Other Tools

In this section you will find a power point presentation designed to facilitate interactions between program directors and institutional leadership. *Messaging to the C Suites* offers practical guidance to optimize the chances of having an impact on hospital leaders.

The CEE strongly urges programs to be thinking about OR at the time that you begin your ACGME application. The fact is that there is an economy of scales to be enjoyed when completing the applications in tandem. *Aligning ACGME and OR* is well worth reviewing.

### 4. Resources

In this section you will find three presentations that can help guide the application process as well as provide a rationale for your program seeking OR. *Promoting the Osteopathic Learning Environment (OLE)* gives great insight into how one defines and operationalizes the OLE. This was originally presented by

Robert A. Cain, DO, FACOI and Chair of the OPC at ACGME at the 2016 OMEL meeting. We have also included the section from ACGME's web site on the Osteopathic Learning Environment as it clarifies important definitions and program expectations. *Osteopathic Recognition and the Osteopathic Principles Committee* provides an overview of the structure and function of the OPC, as well as a general review of the application process.

We hope you find the Toolbox helpful in your efforts to secure OR. We welcome comments, questions, and suggestions. It is our intent to update this Toolbox periodically. Once again, we urge you to visit [ACGME](#) and review the OR FAQs.