Information for Graduating Residents

Congratulations on completing your Resident Training Program at UB!

The information provided below addresses questions frequently asked by residents as they prepare to leave their resident training program at UB.

**Diplomas:** All graduation requirements must be met prior to issuance of the diploma including: completion of Core Curriculum modules, Program Evaluation Survey and Graduation Survey as well as return of all library materials. Other general guidelines for issuance of diplomas include:

- **Resident Name:** Diplomas can only be printed with the name used during resident training at UB.
- **Resident Degree:** The degree listed on the diploma will be as stated on the medical school diploma. Residents wishing to have their degree listed as M.D. must complete the Conferral of Doctor of Medicine Degree process prior to the request for diploma (see Conferral of MD Information Sheet).

**Malpractice History Verification:** Written requests must be sent to: Office of Graduate Medical Education, 117 Cary Hall, 3435 Main Street, Buffalo, NY 14214 or faxed to 716-829-3999 and must include:

- Release form signed by the resident
- Return address or fax information
- Resident’s complete name during residency and social security number
- Requests for verification of malpractice history at Roswell Park Cancer Institute should be sent directly to Dr. Michalek’s office at RPCI.

**Residency Program Completion / Performance Verification:** Requests for verification of program completion and/or performance evaluations should be sent to your Residency Program Coordinator for completion.

**Health Insurance:** Health insurance provided through UMRS/UDRS will continue until the last day of employment.

**Other Benefits:** All other benefits provided through UMRS/UDRS continue through the last day of the month in which employment ends.

**COBRA Information:** Current regulations allow you to purchase health and/or dental insurance coverage for up to 18 months through your employer’s COBRA plan after you leave your residency program. Your life and disability insurance plans also offer conversion privileges that you may want to take advantage of. COBRA information packets are sent to graduating residents in early June of each year. Information packets are sent to residents who are graduating “off-sync” at the start of the month in which they are scheduled to graduate.