

This communication will be available with official signatures to prospective residency programs that are considering accepting displaced residents.

As a result of the SVCMC St. Vincent's Manhattan Voluntary Withdrawal of Accreditation from the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) for Endocrinology, Nephrology, Neurology, and Pathology, effective February 28, 2010, those residents (see attached) have been placed on a "orphan" status and will be allowed to enter a program at your institution, effective March 1, 2010. Under current Medicare regulations, both direct GME payments (DME) and indirect GME payments (IME) for those residents may be funded by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) at the funding level of your institution until this resident(s) completes the program. We will be officially requesting CMS to transfer GME funding for that resident from our institution to yours should you be above your "cap.". Please contact your fiscal intermediary or GME reimbursement advisor for additional information in this regard. CMS will be notified of the transfer when arrangements have been finalized, and you will receive a copy of that letter.

In addition, you may request a temporary increase in your quota of approved residency places from the ACGME should this be necessary.