

Combined Pediatrics-Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Curricular Requirements

This document enumerates the **minimum** curricular requirements for combined ACGME-accredited programs in pediatrics and physical medicine and rehabilitation, as approved by the American Board of Pediatrics (ABP), American Board of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (ABPMR), American Osteopathic Board of Pediatrics (AOBP), and American Osteopathic Board of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (AOBPMR). This information was collated on January 26, 2026 and will be updated as needed.

1. Total duration:
 - a. Five years (60 months) of education and training in combined pediatrics and physical medicine and rehabilitation
 - b. Additional time outside of the minimum requirements must be customized per the mission of the program and the individual needs of each resident
 - c. The first year of the program must be spent in direct patient care of pediatric patients
2. Pediatrics: 130 weeks (30 months) of broad-based, clinically oriented general pediatrics experiences as described in the ACGME Program Requirements for Graduate Medical Education in Pediatrics, which must include:
 - a. Newborn nursery: four weeks
 - b. Adolescent medicine: four weeks
 - c. Developmental-behavioral pediatrics: four weeks
 - d. Pediatric emergency medicine and acute illness: 12 weeks, eight of which must occur in an emergency department
 - e. Mental health: four weeks
 - f. Intensive care unit (ICU):
 - i. Four weeks neonatal intensive care unit (NICU)
 - ii. Four weeks pediatric intensive care unit (PICU)
 - iii. Four additional weeks of NICU or PICU
 - g. Outpatient pediatric subspecialties: four weeks (composed of at least two subspecialties)
 - h. Inpatient pediatrics: 24 weeks
 - i. 16 weeks of general pediatrics or pediatric hospital medicine service

- i. General ambulatory pediatric clinic: 12 weeks in addition to the longitudinal clinic requirement and must be a broad experience
 - j. Individualized pediatrics curriculum: 40 weeks
 - i. 20 weeks of pediatric subspecialty experiences
 - 1. Physical medicine and rehabilitation rotations must not be utilized to fulfill these requirements
 - ii. 20 weeks of elective experiences
 - k. Supervisory experiences: 16 weeks
 - i. Cannot be during PGY-1
 - ii. Eight weeks on general pediatrics/pediatric hospital medicine service
 - l. 30 months of broad-based, general pediatrics ambulatory longitudinal continuity clinic experiences
 - i. Minimum of 90 half-day sessions over the duration of education and training, scheduled to maximize continuity of care (describe in block diagram notes)
3. Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
- a. Inpatient (adult or pediatric): 12 months, with an average daily patient load of eight patients
 - b. Pediatric rehabilitation:
 - i. Inpatient: three months
 - ii. Outpatient: three months
 - iii. Maximum of 12 months
 - iv. Must include providing consultation to other inpatient services
 - c. Outpatient (adult or pediatric):
 - i. 12 months
 - ii. Not including time spent in electromyography (EMG) training
 - d. Adequate training to achieve basic qualification in EMG and electrodiagnosis (describe in block diagram notes)
 - e. Opportunities to achieve understanding of special aspects of rehabilitation of patients in geriatric age groups (describe in block diagram notes)