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## Board Resolution No 6-S-2025

### (Clarification and Standardization of External Rotations for Residency Training Programs)

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Board of Orthopaedics, Inc. (PBO) is mandated to ensure the quality and integrity of the residency training programs and uphold the standards of accreditation;

**WHEREAS**, Full accreditation of a training program requires adherence to the PBO's structural and curricular standards including limitations on the number and type of satellite and outside rotations;

**WHEREAS**, the PBO recognizes the need to clarify classifications of various training activities, including external rotations, and other clinic exposures,

**WHEREAS**, certain training institutions may face limitations that prevent full compliance with these standards, including:

- The absence of required specialty of subspecialty services within the home institution;
- An insufficient number or variety of cases in specific fields necessary to meet the required Minimum Cases Requirements.

### **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. For the purpose of Full accreditation, the PBO strongly prefers stand-alone residency training programs, with complete services and faculty, as the ideal model for full accreditation.
2. A training program may be allowed a maximum of one (1) satellite rotation, provided it is conducted under a valid Memorandum of Agreement (MOA).

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that any clinical rotation of exposure that occurs outside the main training institution, whether or not it meets the formal definition of a satellite rotation, and that these cases are officially logged in the PBO Elogbook shall be classified as an "outside rotation"

### **During the external rotations, the rotating resident shall:**

- Be under the direct supervision of the training officer or Philippine Orthopaedic Association (POA) Fellow who is a recognized consultant of the home program of the receiving program
- Perform all regular resident duties, including emergency room coverage, ward care, operating room (OR) assistance outpatient department (OPD) services, case presentations, conferences, rounds, and teaching activities;
- All cases performed during any form of outside or external rotation, once logged in the official E-logbook shall automatically be classified as outside rotation cases, with no further validation required unless dispute of flagged.





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This resolution shall take effect immediately and be applicable to all training programs under the jurisdiction of the Philippine Board of Orthopaedics.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that this resolution be disseminated to all accredited residency training programs, program directors, and training officers for proper guidance and implementation.

Unanimously approved during the **PBO Board Meeting held via Zoom on July 19, 2025.**

