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To: Fellowship Applicants

Re: Eligibility for Board Certification

As part of your application and interview for a potential fellowship position in our program, we are required to notify you that this program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) and you **MUST** meet the ACGME and requirements for matriculation in our program.

Board certification is a separate process from fellowship training and has additional requirements. In order to qualify for subspecialty board certification, ABOG requires that you have completed all of your education in an ACGME-accredited residency and received specialty board certification.

If **ANY** part of your residency education occurred in a non-ACGME-accredited program, even if it was approved by the American Osteopathic Association or accredited by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, the College of Family Physicians of Canada, or the Advanced Specialty accreditation by ACGME International (ACGME-I), there is a possibility that you may not be eligible for specialty board certification and therefore will not be eligible for subspecialty board certification at completion of your fellowship education. This means that you would **NOT** be able to be a fellow at URMC given our GME requirements.

If you have any question regarding your eligibility, it is important that you speak to me, and we contact the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology to understand your eligibility for board certification before you interview for fellowship training at our institution.

Sincerely,



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