University of Utah Division of Plastic Surgery In-Service Policy

Every resident will take the Plastic Surgery In-Service exam each spring. Residents are expected to score above the 35th percentile compared to PGY level peers in the same training track. If a resident does not meet this minimum requirement the resident will be required to meet with Dr. Siddiqi and devise a plan for improvement. The resident will then be required to take a full make up exam four months later to show that the plan has worked. If the resident is still unable to score above the 35th percentile then further remediation will occur. If the resident scores below the 35th percentile in their 5th and/or 6th year of training they will not be allowed to attend a foreign trip that year.

In the final three years of training, for each year that a resident scores in the 80th percentile or higher, compared to PGY level peers in the same training track, the Division of Plastic Surgery will contribute 20% of the written board examination fee to the resident.

The night before the exam, all residents will be excused from clinical duties starting at 8:00 pm. The microsurgery fellow will take call on the night of the in-service exam. On the day of the exam, the Division APCs will carry the residents' pagers and manage or refer all calls appropriately.