CBD Funding Memo

The PGME office secures funding from the Ministry in 3-year budget cycles.

Within the current budget cycle, we received funding to support 3 CBD implementation activities. These include:

1. CBD Development Funds – these funds are intended to support CBD leadership and CBD faculty development activities. These funds are made available to programs 15 months prior to the first resident beginning in CBD. Applications for this funding are submitted approximately 18 months prior to the first resident beginning in CBD (and annually thereafter). Funding will taper off in the years following launch to enable funds to be available for future launch cohorts.

2. Academic Advisor Funds – We have budget for each advisor to have 8 hours of time compensated per student per fiscal year. For first year residents starting in CBD in July, who are absent for the first quarter of the fiscal year, their advisors are only eligible to claim 6 hours or 75% of the 8-hour allocation. The budgeted amount would allow for three meetings (1 hour of preparation, 1-hour meeting) plus an additional 2 hours of time for committee presentations. While we are only able to commit to 8 hours of funding due to budget constraints, we aim to apply any unspent CBD funds at the end of the fiscal year towards topping up advisors to 10 hours (should they submit for that number of hours).

3. Workplace Based Assessment / EPA Assessment Funds - These funds are designed to support programs in obtaining sufficient observations of EPAs, particularly those EPAs that might not be easily observed in the current day to day operations. Some examples might include supporting the observation of EPAs in a simulated environment or bringing a physician into a busy clinic for scheduled EPA assessments (i.e. – the physician would not be the treating attending physician, but an observer of the resident’s performance). These funds are available to assess active CBD residents. Applications for this funding are submitted approximately 6 months prior to the first resident beginning in CBD (and annually thereafter).

Please note that we cannot pay salary support to GFT faculty members or AMHSP members. We can support faculty development initiatives for these individuals.