

## Graduate Medical Education

- Period of practical training where the medical school graduate learns the skills, attitudes and knowledge to practice independently
- Occurs in teaching hospitals and clinics
- Lasts from 3-7 years

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- Direct cost per resident approaches \$40,000 plus fringes
- Indirect costs including faculty and administrative costs and infrastructure needs add substantially to the total expenditures related to GME
- Current support comes from Medicare, VA, Medicaid, COM, hospitals

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- Training involves the supervised participation in care of patients along with a curriculum in the selected specialty
- National standards and accreditation requirements must be maintained
- The process is labor and time intensive for all concerned

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- If the State wishes to influence the quantity and quality of the medical workforce, GME must be considered an essential factor

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- Florida has a relative small GME enterprise
- Florida has 17 residents per 100,000 citizens, the national average is 34
- The site of training is predictive of the site of practice
- The presence of training programs supports safety net hospitals, research and undergraduate medical education