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In lieu of using the clinical skills evaluation forms posted on the ABPN website, psychiatry residency programs may submit forms to the ABPN for approval.

In order to be approved, the evaluation process, as represented by the evaluation form, must satisfy these criteria:

- The resident's mastery of three components of the core competencies is evaluated: physician-patient relationship; psychiatric interviewing, including mental status examination; and case presentation.
- The resident's performance of each of the three competency components is evaluated on a scale that differentiates between acceptable and unacceptable performance, although those specific terms to designate the categories do not have to be used.
- To meet the ABPN's criteria for mastery, an "acceptable" score is required for all three areas (physician-patient relationship; psychiatric interviewing, including mental status examination; and case presentation).
- Regardless of when during training the resident is evaluated, the standards for acceptable performance of the three competency components remain the same.

Programs may add additional competency components/items to the form.

Programs should submit their form to the ABPN office by mail, fax, or e-mail. They will receive either written approval or feedback on changes that need to be made for approval to be given.

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