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Post-graduate Training Reform Workshop

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Introduction

In response to the directives of His Excellency the Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research and building on our shared commitment to advancing postgraduate medical education in Syria, we propose the convening of a national workshop. This workshop will serve as a platform to review and validate the findings and proposals prepared by the technical team formed following the ministerial meeting on February 26, 2025. The goal is to develop actionable and sustainable strategies for aligning Syria's medical training programs with global standards such as those of the ACGME-I, thereby ensuring quality, accreditation, and improved healthcare outcomes.

Objectives

- ☐ Review the national survey results on postgraduate students across Syrian universities.
- ☐ Discuss the findings of the gap analysis between current programs and ACGME-I standards.
- ☐ Evaluate technical proposals to enhance the structural and educational components of postgraduate training.
- ☐ Formulate actionable recommendations to be submitted to national authorities for approval and implementation.
- ☐ Outline an implementation framework for the proposed reforms.

Participants

This program is intended for clinicians who work directly with critically ill patients and perform point of care ultrasound:

- ☐ Representatives from the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research
- ☐ Deans of medical faculties at Syrian universities
- ☐ Heads of scientific boards from the Higher Commission for Specialization
- ☐ Directors of university teaching hospitals





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- ☐ Representatives of postgraduate medical residents
- ☐ Experts in medical education and accreditation (local and international)

Program

Time	Session	Presenter
8:30-9:00	Introduction & Opening remarks	
9:00-9:45	Presentation of National Survey Results on Postgraduate Training Residents in Syria	
9:45-10:30	Accreditation Council	
10:30-10:45	Coffee Break	
10:45-11:30	Evaluation process, Competency-Based Medical Education (CBME), Milestones, & Clinical Competency Committee	
11:30-12:15	Recommendations for Reforming Program Structures and Curricula	
12:15-13:30	Prayer and Lunch Break	
13:30-14:30	Working Groups: Drafting Recommendations and Implementation Strategies	
14:30-16:00	Plenary Session: Presentation of Group Recommendations and Final Discussion	
16:00-16:30	Closing remarks	