Probationary Accreditation Status of the Kaiser Permanente
San Jose-Adult Psychiatry Residency Program

Accreditation and ACGME Updates

Kaiser Permanente Northern California Undergraduate & Graduate Medical Education (KPNC UME/GME) and the Kaiser Permanente San Jose-Adult Psychiatry Residency Program (KPSJ PSYR) are committed to providing access to up-to-date, accurate accreditation information.

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On February 16, 2023, the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME), the national GME regulatory body that confers accreditation to residency and fellowship programs, notified KPSJ PSYR of its probationary accreditation status effective February 10, 2023.

KPSJ PSYR remains accredited, with an ACGME follow-up site visit to be scheduled by December 2023.

Probationary Status FAQs

KPNC UME/GME and KPSJ PSYR take this accreditation decision seriously and are moving forward with a corrective action plan to restore the program’s stellar accreditation status. Our goal is not just to reverse the probation status but to exceed ACGME standards.

What does “Probationary Accreditation status” mean?

Probationary accreditation status is a label conferred by the ACGME to programs that do not demonstrate “substantial compliance” with ACGME requirements.
Why did the ACGME place the KP Adult Psychiatry Residency Program on probationary accreditation status?

The ACGME conducted a site visit on September 22, 2022, in response to an anonymous complaint. The complaint was closed, and we await the full ACGME report—which will arrive within 60 days. We look forward to addressing the recommendations from the ACGME.

If I am applying for a residency program, what effect does accreditation status have on me or on the upcoming Match Day?

As an applicant, this accreditation status will have no impact on your ability to match with KPSJ PSYR. This accreditation status will not change our recruitment efforts and all candidates will be able to rank our program.

If I am a resident, will probationary status affect my license or my ability to graduate from the KP Adult Psychiatry-San Jose Residency Program?

No. The residency program remains accredited with no impact on graduation.

What steps are we taking to address the ACGME probationary status?

The program and the institution have already taken action to address and resolve the ACGME’s concerns following the site visit in September 2022 and will continue to undertake specific initiatives throughout the coming weeks and months.

How long will the KP Adult Psychiatry Residency Program-San Jose be on probation?

There is no set timeline for lifting the probation, but the ACGME will return for a follow-up site visit by December 2023. We look forward to working collaboratively to improve areas identified by the ACGME and not just to meet but exceed ACGME accreditation standards by December 2023.

If you have further questions, you may please send your questions via email to Rochelle.J.Woods@kp.org Program Director, KPSJ PSYR or Theresa.Azevedo@kp.org Designated Institutional Official, KPNC UME/GME