Leaves of absence and vacation may be granted to residents at the discretion of the Program Director in accordance with local rules. The total of such leaves and vacation may not exceed six weeks in any one year. If a circumstance occurs in which a resident’s absence exceeds the allotted time outlined by the ABOto, the program director must submit a plan to the ABOto for approval on how the necessary training will be achieved, which may require an extension of the residency.