Since the implementation of the Next Accreditation System, the ACGME’s Annual Update has evolved into a robust data collection process that the Residency Review Committee (RRC) reviews annually when determining accreditation status. The ACGME has recently changed the annual update oversight process to now include review by Designated Institutional Officials (DIO) and/or Institutional Coordinators. By developing a targeted approach to oversight of the Annual Update process, institutions and programs will be better prepared to provide accurate ADS update information and avoid common citations, areas of concern and unnecessary last-minute deadline-induced stress.

Objectives:
At the conclusion of the session, learners should be able to:

- Describe the ACGME ADS annual update and its role in the accreditation process;
- Develop systematic approaches to institutional oversight of ADS annual updates; and,
- Identify most common areas in need of specific attention across all specialties, whether new questions, sections requiring robust responses or topics of importance to your SI.

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