Comparison of 2019/20 and 2020/21 Data a Deeper Dive into Fellows

The COVID-19 pandemic has changed almost every aspect of our daily lives. In our last infographic we highlighted a substantial drop in the number of fellows in Canada from 2019/20 to 2020/21 (see figure below). This infographic dives a bit deeper on this finding.

Overall, there were 50 fewer CC/PR fellows and 108 fewer Visa fellows. This represented a total drop of 158 fellows from 2019/20 to 2020/21. A chi-square analysis found that the drop for visa fellows was marginally statistically significant, $X^2(1) = 3.57, p = .059$. There was no significant drop for CC/PR fellows.

There was no significant association between broad field of training and training year for visa fellow trainees, $X^2(1) = 1.57, p = .67$.

At an absolute value the Medical Specialties (-70) and Surgical Specialties (-36) lost the most trainees.

Area of Focused Competence (AFC) was the only broad field of training to experience any growth (+5) in the number of visa fellows.

For further information, including a breakdown by specialties or regions, contact caper@afmc.ca.