Purpose:
To enhance FMRSP projects with residents who are interested in pursuing a more in depth research based FMRSP and gain experience as a Clinician Investigator.

Policy:
The resident may either self-identify at the beginning of PGY1 or will be invited to participate in the Research Elective if their project proposal is identified as being a strong research project.

Research Electives will not be scheduled during Block 7 In order to assure that the resident will be able to shadow the AoS supervisor/co-supervisor, the AoS member must sign off on the timing of the research elective.

Activities during the Research Elective:
Residents are expected to complete the bulk of the research work for their FMRSP project during the research elective month including:
- Collect research data
- Compile and analyze research data
- Interpret results
- Prepare final written report for FMRSP
- Draft a research paper to be submitted for publication
- Attend any research events that are occurring during their research elective month.

Procedure:
1) Approval: Electives must be approved in advance by the Unit Postgrad Director or delegate, the resident’s clinical supervisor