

GME Program Coordinator Excellence Award



The GME Program Coordinator Excellence Award honors and recognizes the crucial role that program coordinators play in the success of a residency/fellowship program. The ACGME congratulates the recipients of the 2018 GME Program Coordinator Excellence Award.



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Nominators had this to say:

“Yet a true leader and role model proves their message by example. One of our most dreaded moments within the residency is getting the automatic email reply that Denise is out of town. If she is away at one of several yearly conferences - both teaching and learning - we'll hear a reply, just as she expects timely communication in return. However, if she is with family - or on her honeymoon this past year - we're unplugged and off to fend for ourselves with the skills she

has taught us.”

“Ms. Lesniak also demonstrates a true appreciation of the scope of her role as program coordinator, by staying current with regards to ACGME policy, standards, and requirements. She regularly attends the Program Coordinator section of the Emergency Medicine Council of Residency Directors (CORD) annual meeting, and in 2016 presented a fabulous didactic session, geared toward new Program Coordinators, relating to anticipatory guidance of program directors (and their care and feeding.)”