From: UCSF-GME
Subject: ACGME Request for Comment: IOM Recommendations
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Dear Program Directors, Program Faculty, Residents, and Fellows

Please review this letter from Dr. Nasca of the ACGME requesting your input on the recent IOM report on Resident Duty Hours. The letter includes a link to a survey (due Jan 10) which will take 25-30 minutes. Data from the survey will inform the ACGME's future duty hour requirements.

We will also discuss this topic at the January 26 GMEC meeting.

Thanks!

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From: ACGME Communications <ACGMECommunications@acgme.org>
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Dear Designated Institutional Officials, Program Directors, Faculty Members, Review Committee Members, Residents and Fellows:

I would like to solicit your input into the ACGME's deliberations concerning the

recent recommendations contained in the Institute of Medicine's Report entitled *Resident Duty Hours: Enhancing Sleep, Supervision, and Safety*.

In 2003, when Resident Duty Hour Requirements were enacted, the ACGME promised the profession that it would review these standards after five (5) years. Consistent with this promise, the ACGME has scheduled an International Duty Hours Symposium, to be held in March. This event, coupled with the IOM Report, will serve as the beginning database for the ACGME's review and modification of duty hour requirements, as well as methods for oversight, demonstration of compliance, and enforcement.

We would like to gain a sense of the opinions of the participants in our system of graduate medical education of the specific recommendations made by the IOM panel prior to the start of this revision process. Below you will find a link to a survey that will ask questions concerning each of the recommendations made by the IOM panel. We will also ask you to specify your role in GME and your specialty. You cannot, and will not be, identified individually. We ask that you be completely candid in your response to these questions. Only through such a disclosure of your true thoughts will we understand your candid assessment of these recommendations.

We will use these data, in summary form, to inform the work of the Review Committee Chairs and the Board of the ACGME, as they begin their examination of the duty hour standards. We may publish these results, along with the results of positions that the ACGME will solicit from national organizations, such as the American Board of Medical Specialists (ABMS) and the Member Boards, the Council of Medical Specialty Societies (CMSS) and each College or Academy, the American Hospital Association (AHA), the American Medical Association (AMA), the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC), the Alliance for Independent Academic Medical Centers (AIAMC), the Association of Hospital Medical Educators (AHME), and the Organization of Program Director Associations (OPDA) and each of the Specialty- and Subspecialty-based Program Director Associations.

Please complete this survey (one time only) before January 10, 2009. We estimate that it will take 25-30 minutes to complete the survey. You can save your responses for each page, and you can leave the survey open in order to complete other tasks (it will not "time out"). However, we prefer that you not save a partially completed survey and close the document because you cannot return later to that survey. This is to assure your anonymity. We have provided you the option to delete all responses if you decide to complete the survey at a later time.

You can click on the link, http://www.acgme.org/adspublic/iomrfc/ or copy the link into the address line of your browser. Additionally, we ask that you forward this link to all the faculty, residents, and fellows at your institution. Contact WebADS@acgme.org with any questions or comments that you may have.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to graduate medical education, to the profession, and most importantly to the care and safety of our patients. All of us at the ACGME wish you and yours a happy holiday season, and a healthy New Year!

Sincerely,

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