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 2016 GME Program Coordinator Excellence Award.

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Nominators had this to say:
“Claire exemplifies the word “Leader” as she presents herself with confidence and credibility. She creates an intellectual, professional atmosphere that stimulates the exchange of ideas and encourages open dialogue. She advocates the importance of ACGME accreditation and compliance for her program and holds all other program leaders accountable to deadlines, requirements, and expectations.”

“Claire came to us in a time of turmoil for our residency. Almost immediately following her recruitment we were placed on probation for duty hours violations. She immediately showed her value as a fair but firm mentor to the residents as we went about the tough job of changing the culture of our program. We ultimately had a very successful site visit with full accreditation with no citations, a status we enjoy today. A graduating chief once remarked that this program can be summarized and BC and AC. Before and after Claire.”

“For those who remember the TV show MASH, she is my Radar O'Reilly. It is often hard to know who works for who. Most successful people in a wide variety of industries can point to such a person and Claire is it for us.”