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### Upcoming 2009 RRC Meeting and Agenda Closing Dates

RRC Meeting: June 26 - 27  
Agenda Closing: May 18

### Session for Program Directors & Faculty AAOS 2009 Annual Meeting

The RRC will provide an Instructional Course Lecture (ICL) titled "The Accreditation Process Explained" from 1:30-3:30pm, Wednesday, February 25, in Room 3205 of the Venetian Hotel during the AAOS' annual meeting in Las Vegas. Course faculty will include Dempsey Springfield, MD, Richard Grant, MD, Peter Stern, MD, and ACGME site visitor William Robertson, MD. The session will include presentations on site visit preparation and procedures, resident case logs, scholarly activity, diversity, and curriculum development. The final 30 minutes of the session will be devoted to questions from those in attendance.

### Organization for Program Directors Announced

The inaugural meeting of the newly formed Council of Orthopaedic Residency Directors (CORD) will be at 7:30am, Friday, February 27 in Room 706 of the Venetian Hotel in Las Vegas. CORD membership is by program rather than individual, so participation in CORD activities will be open to Directors and faculty of ACGME-accredited Orthopaedic Residency and Fellowship programs. CORD's second meeting will be on Friday, June 12, 2009, during the American Orthopaedic Association's meeting in Bonita Springs, Florida.

### Resident Case Log Data

Summary reports generated from CPT code data entered in the ACGME Case Log System by orthopaedic surgery residents who completed their programs on June 30, 2008 have been posted on the RRC's portion of the ACGME website ([www.acgme.org](http://www.acgme.org)). The reports include national means and standard deviations for procedures reported by 621 residents during their PGY-2 through PGY-5 years. The table below provides an overall summary of means for adult, pediatric, and all patients for selected procedure categories. Additional comment on system reports will be provided during the RRC's session during the upcoming Academy meeting.

## Mean Number of CPT Codes Reported During PGY-2 through PGY-5 Years by Orthopaedic Surgery Residents Who Completed Their Programs June 30, 2008

Category	Adult Only	Pediatric Only	All Patients
<i>Orthopaedic Procedures</i>			
Shoulder	163.7	4.9	168.6
Humerus/Elbow	54.5	26.4	80.8
Forearm/Wrist	104.4	29.4	133.7
Hand/Fingers	102.8	14.1	116.9
Pelvis/Hip	174.1	26.0	200.1
Femur/Knee	377.8	45.7	423.4
Leg/Ankle	157.7	39.2	196.9
Foot/Toes	79.8	21.5	101.3
Other Musculoskeletal	105.7	41.7	147.4
Spine	121.2	25.7	146.9
Integumentary System	92.3	10.6	102.9
Nervous System	51.9	1.5	53.4
Miscellaneous	30.7	7.0	37.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>1616.4</b>	<b>293.8</b>	<b>1910.2</b>
<i>Oncology Procedures</i>			
	24.8	4.5	29.3
<i>Microsurgery Procedures</i>			
	24.2	1.9	26.0

### Accreditation Data System

The ACGME's online ADS alerts the RRC to changes in programs. Program directors should update ADS to:

- Notify the RRC of any changes in their program (i.e., new program director or adding or deleting a site)
- Request a change which needs RRC approval (i.e., an increase in resident complement)
- Submit the academic year "Annual Update" (ADS staff will e-mail the deadline for updating faculty and resident rosters)
- Prepare for an upcoming site visit (the ADS will populate many sections of the PIF with the data entered)

Address your questions or concerns about ADS to the ADS representative for Orthopaedic Surgery, ADS@acgme.org.

### ACGME Offers 2007-2008 Issue of ACGME Data Resource Book as Free Online Publication

The Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education is proud to announce that the wealth of statistical data in the annual ACGME Data Resource Book will now be available without charge to everyone. The 2007-2008 ACGME Data Resource Book, the sixth annual edition of the book, is posted on the ACGME website, and can also be downloaded as a PDF file.

The online data book includes nearly 100 pages of tables and charts with aggregate statistics on residents, programs, and institutions for academic year 2007-2008 (July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008).

Among the statistical highlights in the data book:

- There are 695 institutions that sponsor residency programs. Of those, 56% sponsor multiple residency programs and are reviewed by the Institutional Review Committee.
- There are 8,490 residency programs accredited by the ACGME that educate 107,851 physicians.

During academic year 2007-2008, 89% of programs had full accreditation, 8% had initial accreditation, and 2% had probationary accreditation or accreditation with warning, and 1% had withdrawn accreditation.

- Two hundred forty-six (246) newly accredited programs began operation in academic year 2007-2008.
- Residency programs in the following core specialties enrolled the largest percentages of residents: internal medicine (24.6%), family medicine (10.6%), pediatrics (9%) and surgery (8.2%).
- Women comprised 41% of all residents. Core specialties with the largest percentage of female physicians in residency programs are obstetrics and gynecology (74%), pediatrics (61%) and dermatology (60%).

The 2007-2008 ACGME Data Resource Book can be viewed online at [www.acgme.org/databook](http://www.acgme.org/databook). A set of the five previous hard copy issues of the data book can be purchased for \$150 at [http://www.acgme.org/acWebsite/dataBook/dat\\_index.asp](http://www.acgme.org/acWebsite/dataBook/dat_index.asp).