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Subject: Updates Regarding the ACGME Case Log System

Dear Pediatric Program Directors and Coordinators,

Key members of APPD, ACGME and the RRC met to discuss the community's concerns with the required use of the ACGME system to track continuity as of July 1, 2006. As a result of this conversation, the RRC has decided to delay the mandatory use of this system for tracking and reporting continuity experiences. Although this reverses what was stated earlier in the year, it does not change or waive the need for programs to demonstrate compliance with the continuity requirements, nor does it diminish the RRC's commitment to continued use of the ACGME system. It allows programs some flexibility in terms of what system can be used to document compliance with the continuity requirements, until the ACGME system can be fine-tuned and improved to better meet the needs of both program directors and the RRC. Accordingly, at this point and until further notice, programs can choose to use either the ACGME or a non-ACGME system to track continuity.

In the spirit of collaboration and enhanced communication, a subcommittee will be formed with representatives from ACGME, APPD, and the RRC to continue discussions on system modifications and improvements related to continuity.

Programs must continue to use the ACGME system to log procedures. The subcommittee will also address concerns and recommend improvements for the procedure log system as well.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,

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