

Debra L. Dooley GME Program Coordinator Excellence Award



While Program Coordinators' titles may vary, this generally refers to the role that supports the program director, manages day-to-day program operations, and is actively involved in the program's ACGME-related functions. The Debra L. Dooley GME Program Coordinator Excellence Award recognizes these individuals for their deep understanding of the accreditation process, excellent communication and interpersonal skills, and projects that improve GME.



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Nominators had this to say:

"As Chair of the Graduate Medical Education Committee (GMEC), Director of Dermatopathology fellowship, and a graduate of the Dermatopathology fellowship program, I have worked closely with Karen in all three capacities, and can confidently say that Karen is the most knowledgeable, dedicated, and involved GME program administrator on staff at MD Anderson Cancer Center (MD Anderson)."

"Karen is currently the program administrator for 14 training programs in Department of Anatomical Pathology, which consists of 12 clinical fellowships, one elective rotation, and one observation program. Eleven of the fellowship programs are ACGME accredited, and represent 40% of the total number of ACGME accredited training programs at MD Anderson."

"I am a Foreign Medical Graduate who requires visa sponsorship, and the visa process can be very stressful at times. During the onboarding process, Karen has helped me with the plethora of paperwork required to get my visa renewed. She also provides me with prospective faculty job opportunities and has shepherded me through many difficult situations. She is definitely a strong advocate for fellows."