

GME Program Coordinator Excellence Award 2014



The ACGME is proud to announce the recipients of the *GME Program Coordinator Excellence Award*. This award was created to honor and recognize the very crucial role that program coordinators play in the success of a residency program. Congratulations to this year's recipients!



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Nominators had this to say:

“During her tenure as representative to the GME Committee (GMEC) she completely modernized the campus-wide Program Coordinators’ Group meetings. She organized brown bag sessions to increase the knowledge and skills of her fellow PCs at OHSU and provide a dynamic and engaging networking opportunity for them. She created a “wiki” site that continues to function as a storehouse for information and best practices on effective program management. She has also organized volunteer outreach activities for the group, including a recent dinner at our Ronald McDonald house for medically challenged children and their families.”

“Most notably, Cindy has masterfully co-led the creation and implementation of OHSU’s Program Coordinator Professional Development series, a robust three-year curriculum. This series, designed to enhance the skills of our GME PC community, also helps others recognize the vital role of program coordinators in assuring the success of their respective programs. This innovative course has just completed its first year, receiving universally enthusiastic support from program coordinators, program directors, department chairs and the Dean’s office. The course provides professional development for coordinators in the areas of residency management software, ACGME requirements, and program leadership skills. Under her guidance, this course has greatly strengthened the program coordinator community at OHSU.”