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Important Membership Renewal Information

Grace period ends January 31

Members who failed to renew their AFMRD memberships by December 31 were granted a one-month grace period. This grace period is set to expire on January 31, at which time members without a fully paid 2016 membership will lose access to the email discussion forum, the PD Toolbox, and other members-only benefits. If you haven't renewed, [do it today!](#)

RPI News: Extended Deadline, Nice Perk for Completing

If you haven't completed the 2016 RPI survey yet, we have some good news for you.

AMA Alerts Residency Programs to Private Company Funding

The American Medical Association Council on Medical Education brought a concerning issue to the attention of program directors through a letter to the Organization of Program Director Associations.

The letter urges residency programs to be aware of a company now offering private funding to ACGME-accredited training programs in order to expand the number of residency or fellowship training positions through "loans" funded by investors and paid back by residents/fellows. [Read the letter.](#)

Milestones for Osteopathic Recognition

The Milestones for Osteopathic Recognition are now available on the [ACGME Osteopathic Principles Committee web page](#). These Milestones go into effect July 1, 2016.

Weigh in on Common Program Requirements

The Common Program Requirements Phase I Task Force will soon begin the process of considering revisions to Section VI of the [ACGME Common Program Requirements](#).

An important first step in this process will be to gather input from the graduate medical education community on the current requirements in this section, including recommendations for change.

Send your written comments on Section VI of the requirements to

One, we've extended the deadline to give you a little more time. The deadline is now Friday, February 8.

Two, we are adding even greater value to the RPI tool by providing all who complete the 2016 RPI survey a complementary one-year subscription to the 9th Edition of the Residency Program Solutions (RPS) Criteria for Excellence. Available online in spring 2016, this outlines best policies and practices for family medicine education and represents the collective wisdom of a panel of experienced physician educators.

Deadline: February 8
Details: [Visit the website.](#)



Become a Board Member

The AFMRD is accepting nominations for the AFMRD Board of Directors. We are seeking three members to serve two-year terms as members at large, one member to serve as president-elect, and one member to serve a one-year term as president. The reason for the president election is President-Elect Lisa Maxwell will be stepping down from the board due to a change in her career direction.

Deadline: February 5
Details: [Visit the website.](#)

Award Deadline is Just Days Away

The deadline to submit an application for the AFMRD Program Director Recognition Award is January 29. Recipients will be honored during the AFMRD Annual Business Meeting on Saturday, April 2 in Kansas City, in conjunction with the Program Directors Workshop.

Deadline: January 29
Details: [Visit the website.](#)



cprrevision@acgme.org by February 25.

Exhibit at AAFP National Conference

Don't miss your chance to connect with the best and brightest medical students and residents in family medicine by exhibiting at the 2016 National Conference of Family Medicine Residents and Students. The large block assignments will begin February 1. The open floor assignments will begin February 15.

Deadline: Applications are accepted and assigned in the order received. Details: [Visit the website.](#)

Family Medicine Leads Emerging Leader Institute

The AAFP Foundation recently announced the opening of the second annual Family Medicine Leads Emerging Leader Institute application process. The year-long program provides opportunities for residents and medical students to build upon the AAFP National Conference experience through a year-long leadership development program.

Deadline: March 1
Details: [Visit the website.](#)

Exemplary Teaching Awards

The AAFP is accepting nominations for the Exemplary Teaching Awards. These awards acknowledge AAFP members who deserve recognition for excellence in teaching, as well as individuals who have implemented outstanding educational programs and/or developed innovative teaching models.

Take Time for CERA Survey

The [CAFM Educational Research Alliance \(CERA\)](#) survey of program directors is about to end. Please take time to complete this survey by January 28. (It should take about 15 minutes.)

Your response is important; each completed survey improves the accuracy and representativeness of the data.

The results of this survey will be used in published research, so it's important that all program directors complete the survey. The data will also be added to a clearinghouse that you and other academic family medicine faculty can use to develop new research ideas or to answer administrative questions. This information will be stripped of any identifiers linking the data back to you or your institution.



Duty Hours Survey Results

In response to an ACGME request to comment on duty hours, the AFMRD recently asked members to complete a survey. The results of this survey will be used to inform the creation of a formal position paper from the family medicine education community. [Review the summary of the AFMRD Duty Hours Survey responses.](#)

Article Delves into Residency Curriculum Resource

Be sure to read the *Annals of Family Medicine* article, [The Residency Curriculum Resource: A Users' Perspective](#), written by members of the AFMRD Board of Directors.

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Deadline: March 1
Details: [Visit the website.](#)



Thomas W. Johnson Award

The Thomas W. Johnson Award for Career Contributions to Family Medicine Education is presented annually to an AAFP member who has made outstanding contributions to education for family medicine in undergraduate, graduate and continuing education spheres.

[Learn more about this exciting initiative -- and how you can get involved.](#)

Deadline: March 1
Details: [Visit the website.](#)

Opportunity to write for the AAFP

FP Essentials™ is a subscription-only continuing medical education (CME) and Board review publication with a circulation of several thousand, and is one of the AAFP's largest educational activities. If you are interested in writing for FP Essentials, you must submit a proposal.

Deadline: March 15
Details: [Visit the website.](#)

National Conference Scholarship

Applications are now being accepted for \$600 Family Medicine Leads Scholarships, provided by the AAFP Foundation, to attend the 2016 National Conference.

Deadline: May 1
Details: [Visit the website.](#)