

GME Institutional Coordinator Excellence Award



The GME Institutional Coordinator Excellence Award was created to honor and recognize the pivotal position that the institutional coordinator has within the institution. The ACGME congratulates the 2017 recipient of the GME Institutional Coordinator Excellence Award.



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Nominators had this to say:

“Mr. Boggs’ career can best be expressed as dedicated service. An experienced naval officer, he came to SAUSHEC at the right time in 2002. The Institution was addressing an ACGME adverse action for failing to appropriately merge the two major GME platforms as intended. As SAUSHEC’s first Executive Manager, he played a crucial role in establishing the oversight structure that guided this Institution over the next eight years as one hospital closed and the final duplicate programs integrated. Mr. Boggs advanced a process of using dashboards with quarterly metrics that was rather novel at the time and was shared in several national forums. Since joining SAUSHEC, the Institution has received full accreditation on every occasion. Just to demonstrate he could continue to change and innovate, Mr. Boggs was the principle architect of a sophisticated tracking process developed recently for our institution to conduct Annual Program Reviews, resulting in comprehensive but condensed data to formulate and guide GMEC oversight plans.”

“One of the most unique and challenging features of military GME is a very high attrition rate of faculty, program directors and leaders, based on short physician half-lives overall (most separate after a four-year commitment is repaid), deployments, and movements. The average program director at our institution has two years of experience. Mr. Boggs has "trained" three deans during my time at SAUSHEC and more than 150 program directors. His attention [to] detail and meticulous standards enable our institution to receive ongoing full accreditation despite this very high turnover rate.”